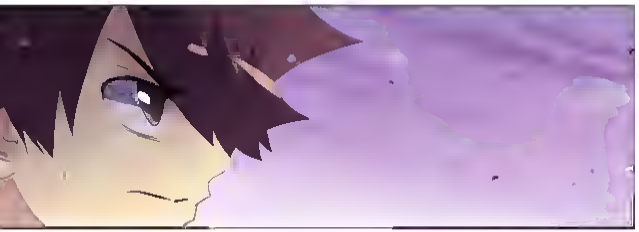
"SOUL OFFERING GATEWAY"

HUMANS ARE NOT ALLOWED
TO PASS THROUGH THE GATEWAY.
IF A SOUL IS SACRIFICED,
ALL HUMANS MAY ENTER THROUGH
THE GATEWAY FOR AN HOUR.



SOUL CARTEL

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NOW.

SO ALL WE HAVE TO DO TO PASS IS SACRIFICE A SOUL, RIGHT?
IT'S NOTHING, REALLY
SHIVER SHIVER SHIVER SHIVER

WE'RE GOOD NOW, HUH?
THEY'RE ALL HERE SO LET'S JUST PICK ONE AND SACRIFICE IT
DON'T SPEAK NONSENSE, MEPHISTO.

I'M AN EXORCIST.

AN EXORCIST'S JOB IS TO SAFELY GUIDE THE PASSAGE OF SOULS TO THE UNDERWORLD.

I CANNOT ALLOW A SOUL TO BE SACRIFICED FOR MY OWN GOOD
ACTUALLY.. I CAN'T DO THAT AS AN EXORCIST

...

WHATEVER, THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.
LET'S JUST HURRY UP AND DO THIS.

HEY!! LISTEN WHEN SOMEONE'S TALKING!!

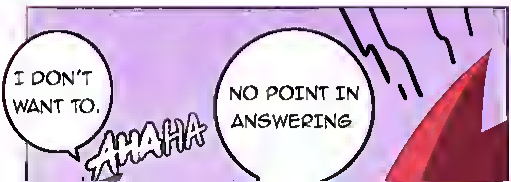
LOOK, I GOT THREE HERE. SO JUST PICK ONE.
GOOD TO GO?
HURRY AND OPEN THE DOOR
SIR MEPHISTO.
YOU MAY BE EXEMPT, BUT THE OTHERS MUST FOLLOW THE RULES
IF THEY CAN CONSENT THEN WE CAN PROCEED.

WHAT~?!

BOING

DAMMIT! C'MON!!
LET'S JUST DO IT!!
NO!!

SHIHOON!
FAUST!
WHAT DO YOU GUYS WANNA DO?!


I DON'T WANT TO.
AHAHA
NO POINT IN ANSWERING

PISSED
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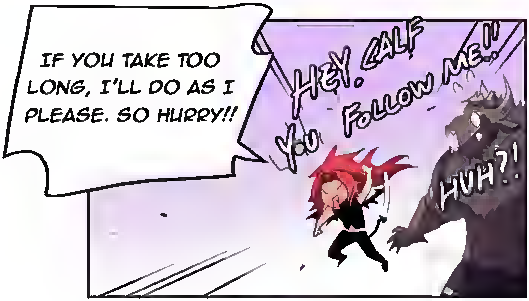
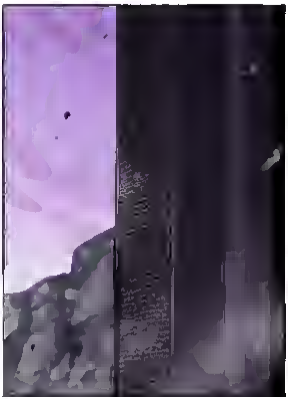
THESE BASTARDS!

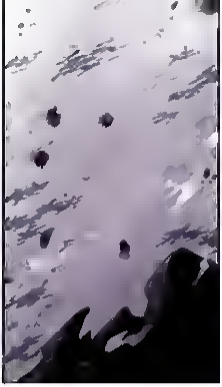
DAMN, FORGET IT!
TURN
I'M ONLY GOING TO WAIT A LITTLE WHILE SO HURRY UP AND DECIDE!!

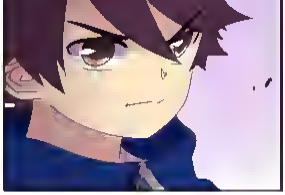

IF YOU TAKE TOO LONG, I'LL DO AS I PLEASE. SO HURRY!!
HEY, CALF
YOU FOLLOW ME!!
HUH?!

YOU LOST THE RACE EARLIER, REMEMBER?
YOU GOTTA FIGHT ME!
DRAG

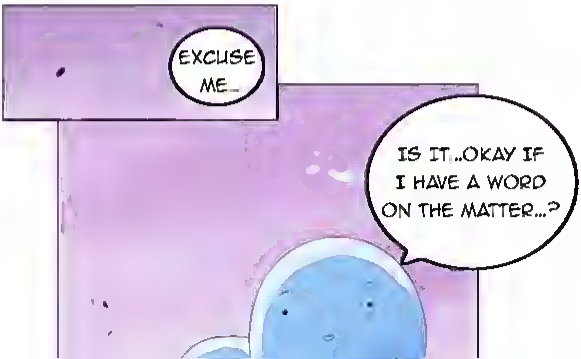
KYAHHHH!





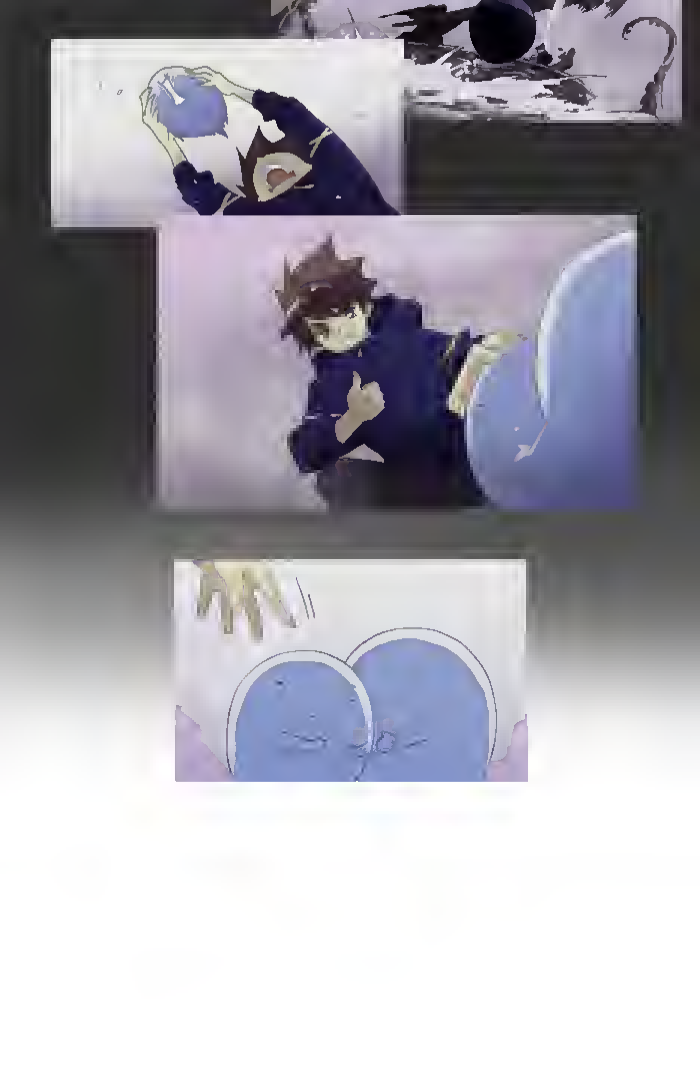


NOW, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
WILL YOU SACRIFICE A SOUL TO GET THROUGH? OR WILL YOU STOP HERE?
YOU ONLY HAVE A FEW MOMENTS LEFT TO DECIDE


EXCUSE ME..
IS IT..OKAY IF I HAVE A WORD ON THE MATTER...?

?

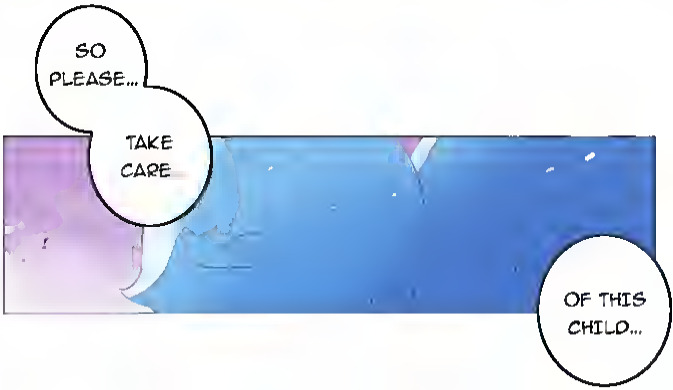
I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK OF THE YOUNG GENTLEMAN OVER HERE.
ME..?
YES, YOU WERE THE ONE WHO SAVED US AT AKERON LAKE.
?!

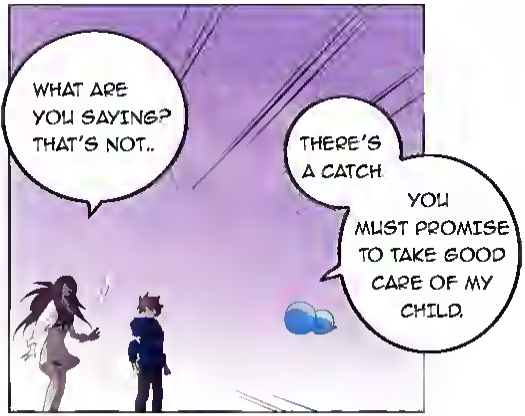


OH!
I REMEMBER!
YOU WERE WITH THE BABY BEFORE...

BUT WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK..?
YOU MUST.. PROMISE TO OBLIGE

I WILL..
BE THE SACRIFICE


SO PLEASE...
TAKE CARE
OF THIS CHILD...


WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? THAT'S NOT..
THERE'S A CATCH
YOU MUST PROMISE TO TAKE GOOD CARE OF MY CHILD.

PLEASE HELP MY BABY TO REINCARNATE NO MATTER WHAT...

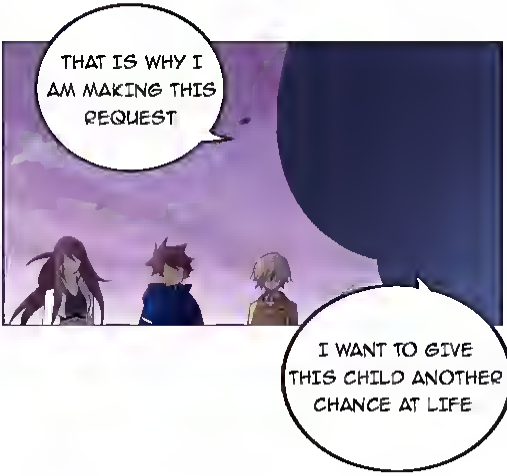
MAY I ASK... THE REASON WHY?
FAUST

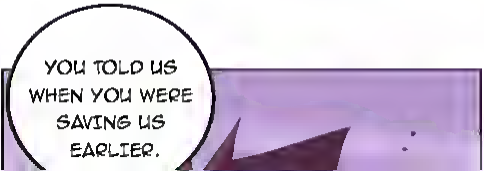
.....

THIS CHILD..
WAS ONLY THREE YEARS OLD

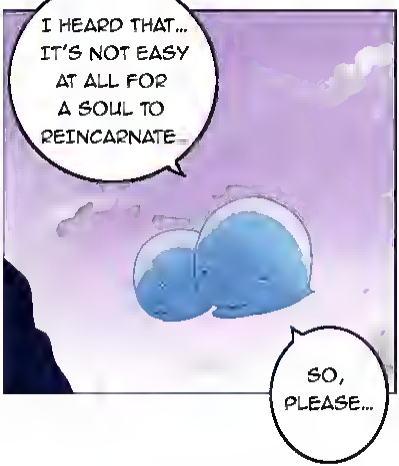
HE'S TOO YOUNG... TO COME TO A PLACE LIKE THIS...
I WASN'T ABLE TO...
SAVE HIM FROM THE FIRE.

IT WAS AN ACCIDENT, BUT...
IT WAS A CRUEL FATE FOR THIS CHILD.

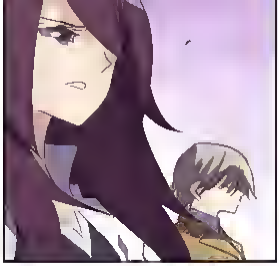

THAT IS WHY I AM MAKING THIS REQUEST
I WANT TO GIVE THIS CHILD ANOTHER CHANCE AT LIFE

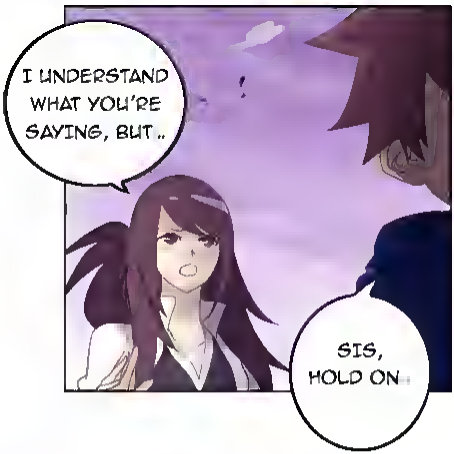

YOU TOLD US WHEN YOU WERE SAVING US EARLIER.

THAT YOU'D MAKE SURE TO SAFELY GUIDE ALL THE SOULS TO THE UNDERWORLD.


I HEARD THAT... IT'S NOT EASY AT ALL FOR A SOUL TO REINCARNATE...
SO, PLEASE...

LET ME BE THE OFFERING,
AND PLEASE HELP THIS CHILD...!




I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING, BUT..
SIS, HOLD ON

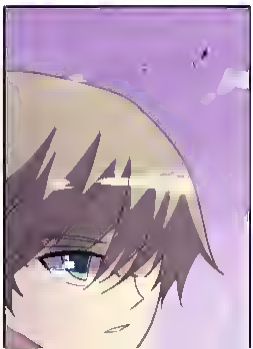
FAUST SIS

WILL YOU GUYS...
LET ME BE THE ONE TO DECIDE?

THAT'S OKAY, RIGHT?

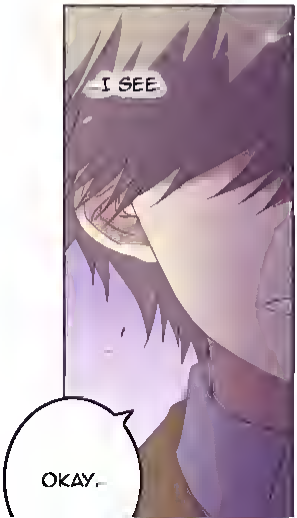
YES, IT ISN'T RECOMMENDED, BUT..
IF IT'S YOUR OWN WILL, IT'S ALLOWED.
SHIHOON, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
DO YOU HAVE A PLAN?
WELL... I'M NOT SURE ABOUT IT, BUT...

I THINK IT'S WORTH A SHOT.

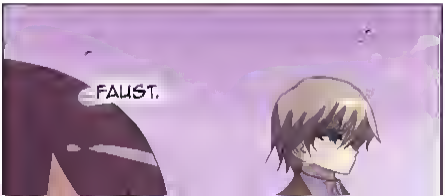


SO...
PLEASE TRUST ME AND LET ME DECIDE

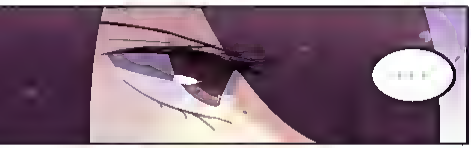
SHOOOSH


-I SEE.
OKAY.

I, FAUST...
LUCIENNE DIRE, AGREE TO LET SHIHOON MAKE MY DECISION.


FAUST.

SIS,
PLEASE TRUST ME WITH THIS.
AS A FAVOR TO ME—



...FINE

SINCE YOU'RE ASKING ME TO..
I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU.
SIS!

SHIHOON,
DO WE HAVE TO CALL MEPHISTO?
YUP...!
FAUST

HE ALREADY KNOWS...
WHAT I'M GOING TO DO...

MEPHISTO!!

MEPHISTO!!
COME HERE!!
HUH?

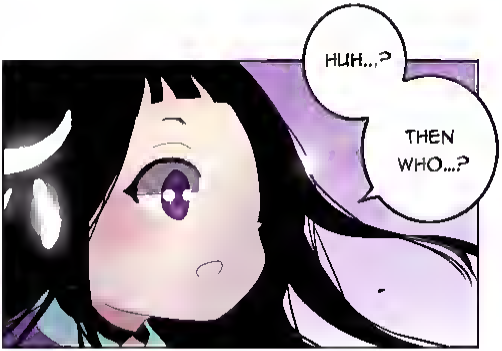
OH!
HAVE THEY DECIDED?

SPREAD

HAVE YOU DECIDED ON WHICH SOUL IS TO BE OFFERED?
...YES.

THEN YOU WILL GO WITH THE SOUL THAT HAS VOLUNTEERED?

...NOPE


HUH...?
THEN WHO...?

THE ONE TO BE OFFERED...
WILL BE...

MY SOUL.

...?
WAIT...
WHAT...?!!

...

OF COURSE

SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

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WOOSH
JUST NOW... WHAT DID YOU SAY?
YOUR SOUL IS THE OFFERING?!
YES.

THE SOUL TO BE SACRIFICED..
IS MY SOUL.
...

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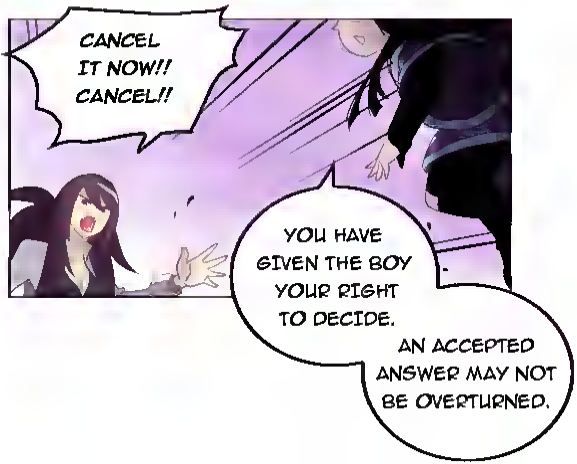
HEY!!
SHIHOON CHA!!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU SAYING!!
ARE YOU CRAZY?!!
FLINCH
SI..., SIS...!

OVER MY DEAD BODY!!
THIS ISN'T RIGHT!!


CANCEL IT NOW!! CANCEL!!
YOU HAVE GIVEN THE BOY YOUR RIGHT TO DECIDE.
AN ACCEPTED ANSWER MAY NOT BE OVERTURNED.

WHAT...?!!

THEN NOW, I SHALL...
WHIRRRRR
GUIDE YOU INTO THE GATEWAY'S ALTAR.

SHWING
SWOOP
SHWINGGGG
WOOOOSH

SWOOOOSH

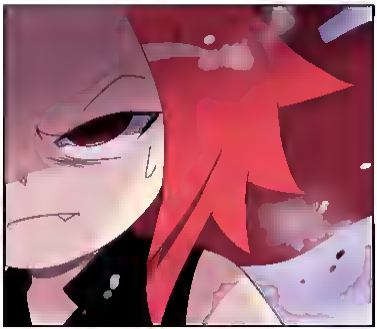
AHHHH!!!
SHRAP

SHIHOON!!
GRAB

IT'S DANGEROUS, SOOIN!
YOU MIGHT GET DRAGGED IN WITH HIM!!
FAUST!!

BUT- SHIHOON IS...!
FAUST!!

SNATCH
AHHHHHHHH!!!
SHOOWSH



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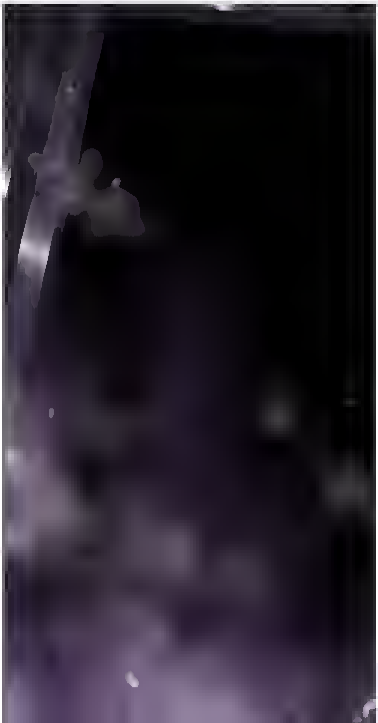


SHI...
SHIHOON...
SHIHOON!!

...

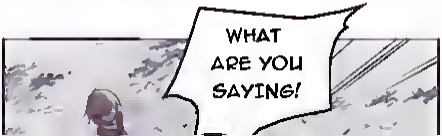
DAMN!
THAT STUPID
IDIOT..

MEPHISTO,
WHAT ARE YOU
GOING TO
DO?

WHAT?
SHIHOON
DECIDED TO BE
THE SACRIFICE
HIMSELF.

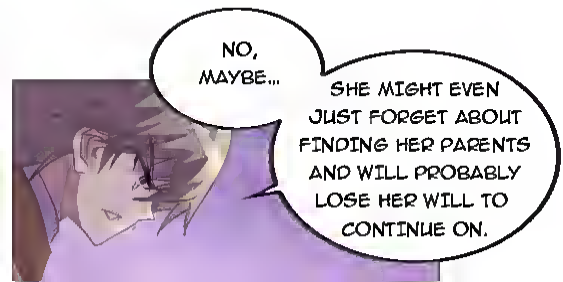
THE JUDGE OF OUR AGREEMENT IS GONE
IF WE DON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THIS, THE DEAL WILL END BEFORE IT EVEN STARTS.

WHAT?!


WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!

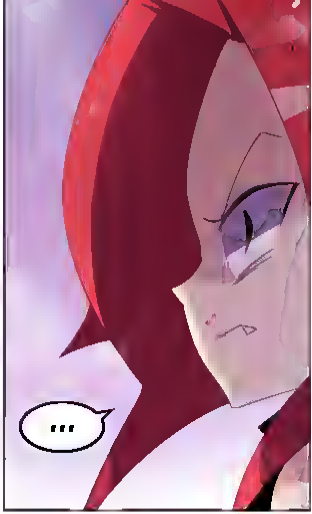
IF SHIHOON'S GONE, WE CAN JUST HAVE THE EXORCIST BE THE JUDGE!!
WE CAN AMEND THE AGREEMENT...
THAT'S WRONG, MEPHISTO.
THE REASON THAT SOOIN IS GOING TO THE UNDERWORLD WITH US IS...
TO FIND HER PARENTS WHEREABOUTS.
BUT PROTECTING SHIHOON IS ALSO AN IMPORTANT REASON

IF WE HAPPEN TO LOSE SHIHOON AT THIS POINT...
THEN THERE WOULD BE NO REASON FOR HER TO CONTINUE ALONG WITH US.


NO, MAYBE...
SHE MIGHT EVEN JUST FORGET ABOUT FINDING HER PARENTS AND WILL PROBABLY LOSE HER WILL TO CONTINUE ON.

WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND!
THAT'S BECAUSE SHE IS A HUMAN
SOMETHING A DEMON COULD NEVER FEEL

THE EMOTIONAL BOND THAT HUMANS CAN HAVE.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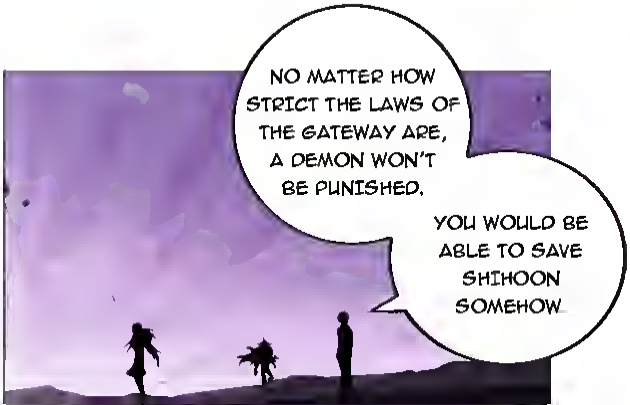
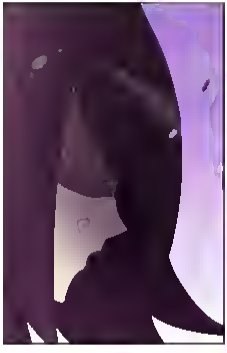
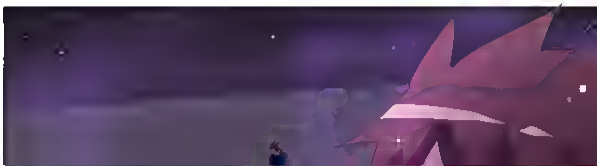

NO MATTER HOW STRICT THE LAWS OF THE GATEWAY ARE, A DEMON WON'T BE PUNISHED.
YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO SAVE SHIHOON SOMEHOW.

MEPHISTO, DIDN'T YOU WAIT 500 YEARS JUST TO MAKE ANOTHER CONTRACT WITH ME?
WILL YOU SAVE SHIHOON SO THAT WE CAN GO TO THE UNDERWORLD AND COMPLETE THE CONTRACT?
OR WILL YOU END IT RIGHT HERE AND NOW?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?





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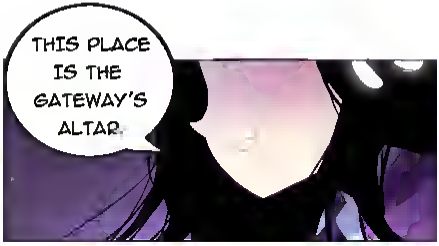
THIS PLACE IS THE GATEWAY'S ALTAR.

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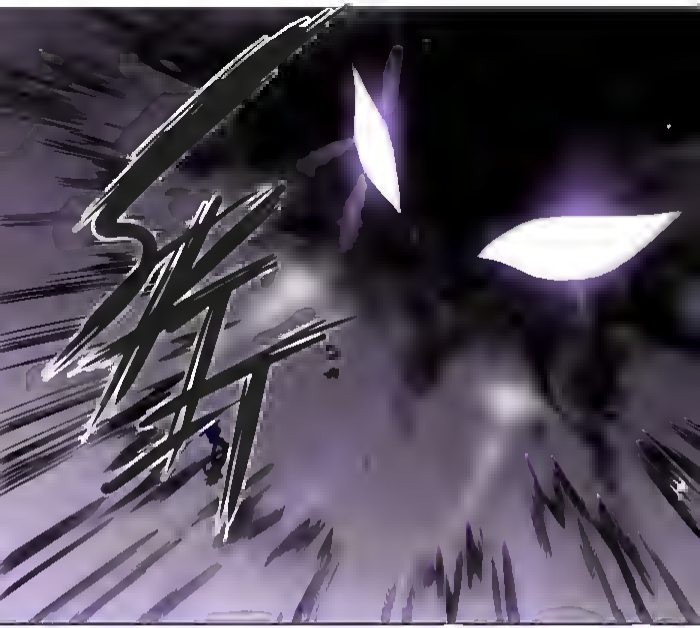
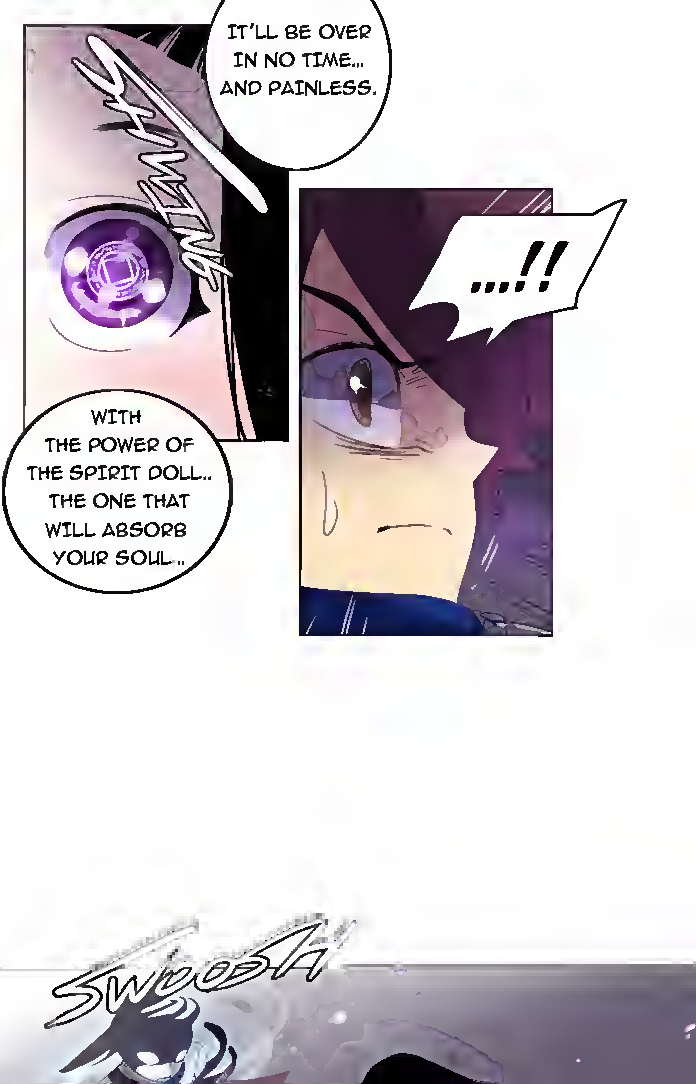
WHEN THE ADMINISTRATOR OPENS ITS EYES...
WOOOSH
THE RITUAL WILL BEGIN.
GRRRRRRRR
RRRRRRR

FLINCH

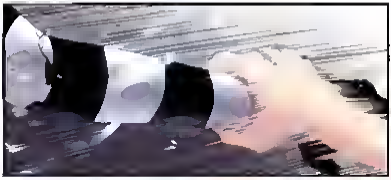

SHIT

WHAT.... IN THE.... HELL...
NO NEED TO BE NERVOUS.
HE'S THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE SOULS OF THE GATEWAY.


IT'LL BE OVER IN NO TIME... AND PAINLESS.
SHINING
WITH THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT DOLL.. THE ONE THAT WILL ABSORB YOUR SOUL..
...!!
SWOOSH

SOUL ABSORBER
-THE SPIRIT DOLL-
SWISH
AHHHHHHH!!!

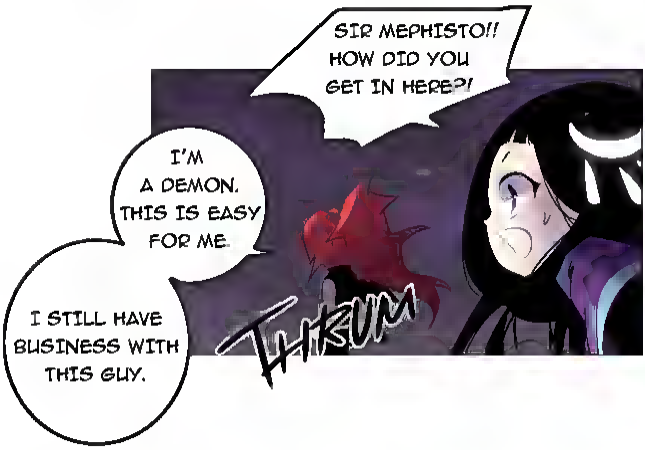
HOLD UP!!



I SAID WAIT!!

SWADOOSH

SSSSS
ME...MEPHISTO!!


SIR MEPHISTO!! HOW DID YOU GET IN HERE?!
I'M A DEMON. THIS IS EASY FOR ME.
I STILL HAVE BUSINESS WITH THIS GUY.
THUM

STEP
HEY, SHIHOON CHA.

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING!! YOU LITTLE BASTARD!!
WHO TOLD YOU YOU COULD BE THE OFFERING?! HUH?!
ROAR~
PETRIFIED

C'MON, MAN~
SORRY, MEPHISTO...
BUT...

EVEN IF IT WASN'T FOR THE MOTHER SOUL...
I DIDN'T WANT TO HAVE TO SACRIFICE ANY SOUL FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO PASS THE GATEWAY...
SO THAT'S WHY I STEPPED UP...
AND I DIDN'T REALLY MEAN TO BE THE OFFERING MYSELF, EITHER...

I JUST BELIEVED THAT....
IF IT'S MEPHISTO, HE WOULD DO ANYTHING HE COULD...TO SAVE ME.

...
WHAT...?

BELIEVE WHAT?!!
WHO?!!

HA HA
ME?!!!

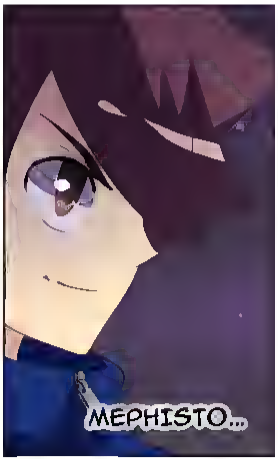
PAH...

HAHAHAHAHAHAHA~!!!
OH MY MY STOMACH~
FLUTTER
FLUTTER
?

....YOU TRUSTED
A DEMON?!
KEKEKE
I'VE REALLY NEVER MET ANYBODY LIKE YOU BEFORE!

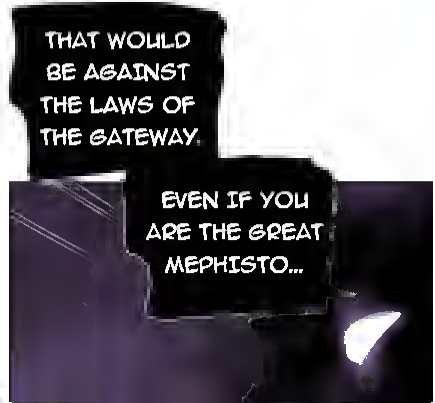
KEKEKE
YOU'RE REALLY DIFFERENT FROM FAUST.
YOU'RE SO MUCH FUN..

A CONTRACT IS A CONTRACT, BUT...
I HOPE WE CAN PLAY TOGETHER LATER ON, SHIHOON


MEPHISTO...

HEY, EYEBALLS!!
ARE YOU THE ADMINISTRATOR HERE?!
DID... YOU CALL ME, SIR MEPHISTO?
WHAT BUSINESS DO YOU HAVE WITH ME...?
YEA, I DO HAVE BUSINESS WITH YOU, THAT'S WHY I CALLED YOU.
SHIHOON CHA. I'M TAKING HIM WITH ME.

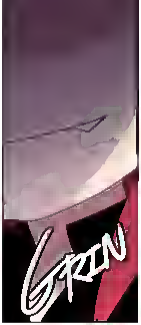
AND LET ALL OF US PASS THROUGH HERE.


THAT WOULD BE AGAINST THE LAWS OF THE GATEWAY.
EVEN IF YOU ARE THE GREAT MEPHISTO...

I KNOW, I KNOW. I KNOW YOU USUALLY CAN'T...
BUT A FUN GAME IS ABOUT TO START...
IT WOULD BE BORING IF IT WERE TO JUST END, RIGHT?!
EVEN STILL... ALL THE GATEWAYS... THEY ARE ALL GOVERNED BY "THE ONE" WHO RULES DEVILS.
TO DISOBEY THE LAWS OF THE GATEWAY MEANS TO DISOBEY "THE ONE."

THAT IS RIGHT, SIR MEPHISTO.
THE UNDERWORLD IS THE WORLD OF CHAOS.
A PLACE WHERE ANGELS AND DEMONS MEINS AND THE OTHER SPECIES HAVE ENDLESS FIGHTS...
IN THIS CHAOTIC PLACE...
IT'S THE ONE AND ONLY BEING WHO CONFRONTS THE GOD....

AND...
THE OWNER OF ALL THE GATEWAYS
AND ALSO THE OWNER OF THE DEMONS....
WILL YOU DISOBEY THAT BEING?
...!
THE RULER OF THE GATEWAYS...?!
MEPHISTO'S.... OWNER?!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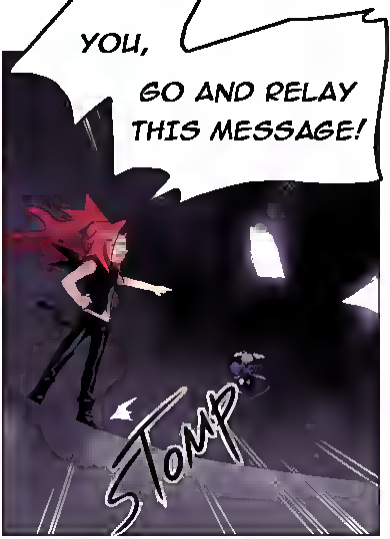
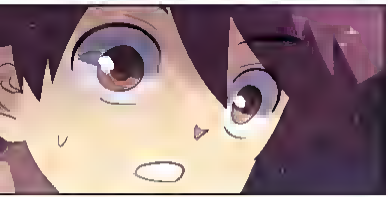
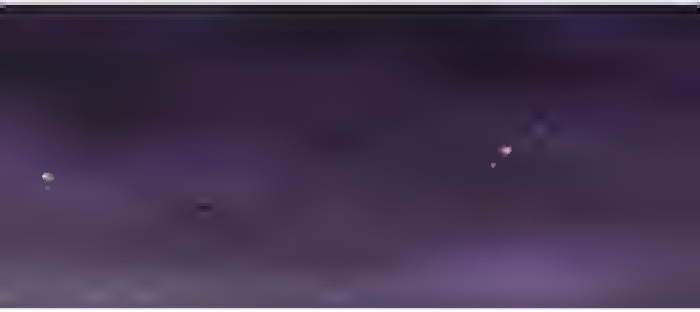

YOU,
GO AND RELAY THIS MESSAGE!
STOMP

THAT MEPHISTOPHELES WILL SHOW HIM MANY FUN AND INTERESTING THINGS FROM NOW ON.

SO...
ASK HIM TO JUST LET US PASS THROUGH THIS ONE TIME.





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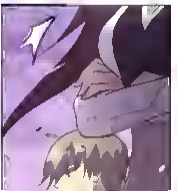
EMM~
EMMMM~
DITHER DITHER DITHER DITHER

SIS... CALM DOWN, PLEASE ..
DO YOU THINK IT'S POSSIBLE FOR ME TO CALM DOWN?!

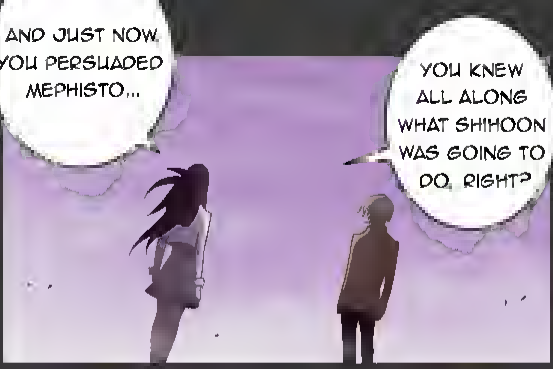
THAT DEMON WENT AFTER HIM, SO I'M SURE HE'S FINE.



...

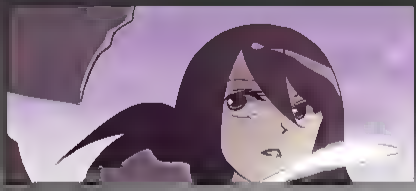
FAUST...
YOU KNEW ALL ALONG, DIDN'T YOU?

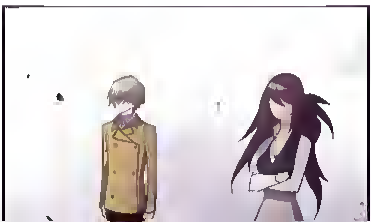
SOOIN...?
WHEN SHIHOON SAID THAT HE WOULD SACRIFICE HIS SOUL, YOU WEREN'T THE LEAST BIT SURPRISED-


AND JUST NOW, YOU PERSUADED MEPHISTO...
YOU KNEW ALL ALONG WHAT SHIHOON WAS GOING TO DO, RIGHT?

...YEAH.
I ALREADY KNEW WHEN I TRUSTED HIM WITH MY DECISION
WHATEVER HIS DECISION WERE TO BE, I KNEW I HAD TO BACK HIM AND GIVE HIM MY FULL SUPPORT.

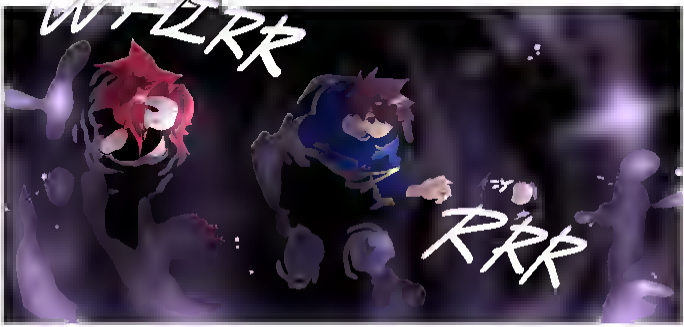
THEN...!
WHAT WERE YOU GOING TO DO IF YOU FAILED TO CONVINCE MEPHISTO TO RESCUE HIM?!
THEN...
EVEN IF I HAD TO "SACRIFICE" GOO'S PAPYRUS...
I WOULD HAVE RESCUED HIM BY BREAKING THE GATE





SHOOO

WHIRRRR


RRR

WE'RE OUT!!

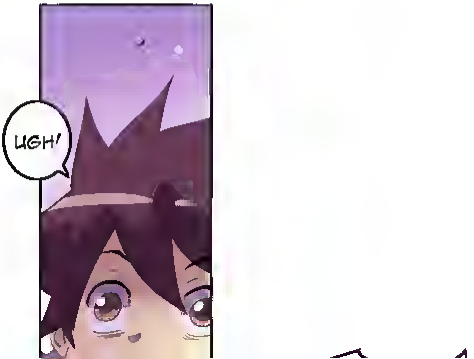
YEAH!
FLOAT
TAP

WHEW~ THINGS WERE LOOKING PRETTY GRIM BACK THERE.
WIPE
PAT!

?!
SWOOSH

I WAS SO WORRIED.

YOU LITTLE...
SIS..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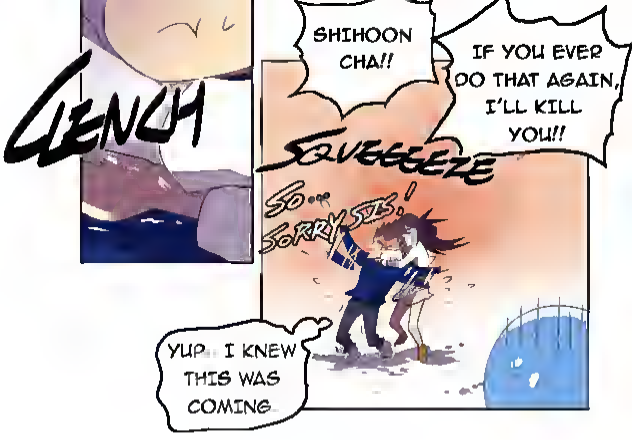
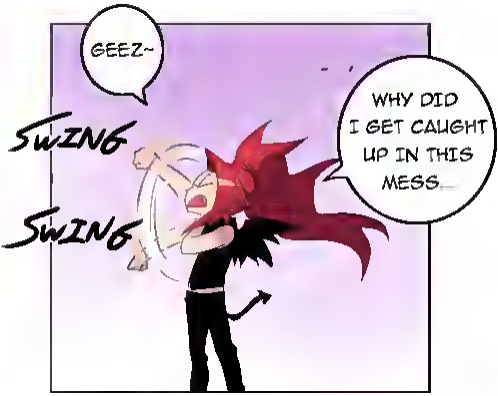
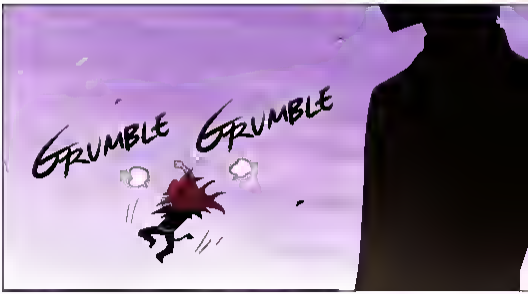

CLENCH
SHIHOON CHA!!
IF YOU EVER DO THAT AGAIN, I'LL KILL YOU!!
SQUEEEEZE
SO... SORRY SIS!
YUP. I KNEW THIS WAS COMING


GEEZ~
WHY DID I GET CAUGHT UP IN THIS MESS...
SWING
SWING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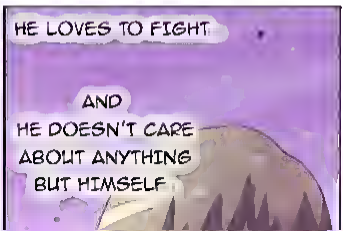
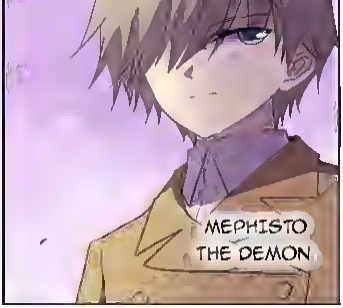

HE LOVES TO FIGHT
AND
HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT ANYTHING BUT HIMSELF


MEPHISTO
THE DEMON

IF WE WERE GOING TO PASS THROUGH THE GATEWAY WITHOUT SACRIFICING A SOUL
THERE WAS NOTHING WE COULD DO WITHOUT THE HELP OF THIS SELFISH DEMON
BUT IF
MEPHISTO JUST STOOD BY, THEN WE MIGHT REALLY HAVE LOST HIS SOUL..

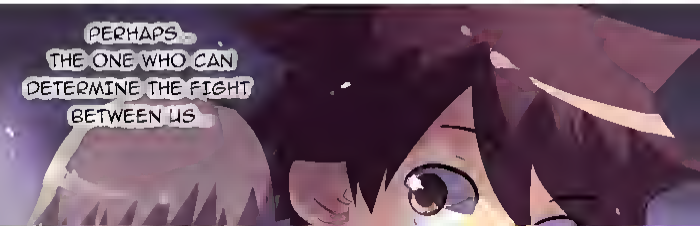
THE ONLY THING WE COULD DO WAS TRUST A DEMON...

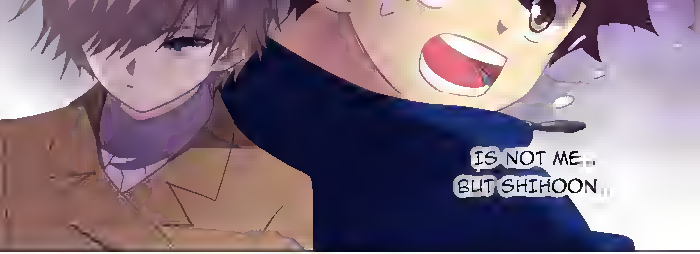
OUR LAST HOPE HANGING ON A CLIFF

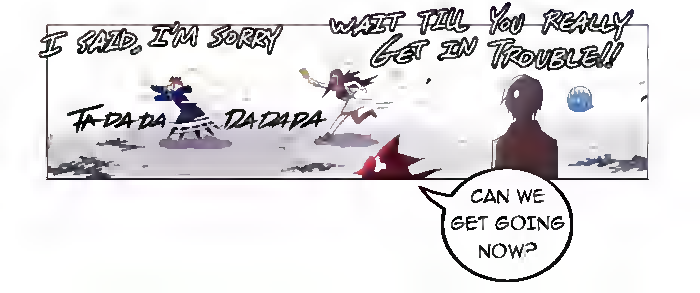
BUT, SHIHOON STOOD AT THE EDGE OF THAT CLIFF BY HIMSELF
NOT JUST MEPHISTO BUT SOOIN, AND EVERYONE HERE INCLUDING MYSELF. HE TRUSTED ALL OF US

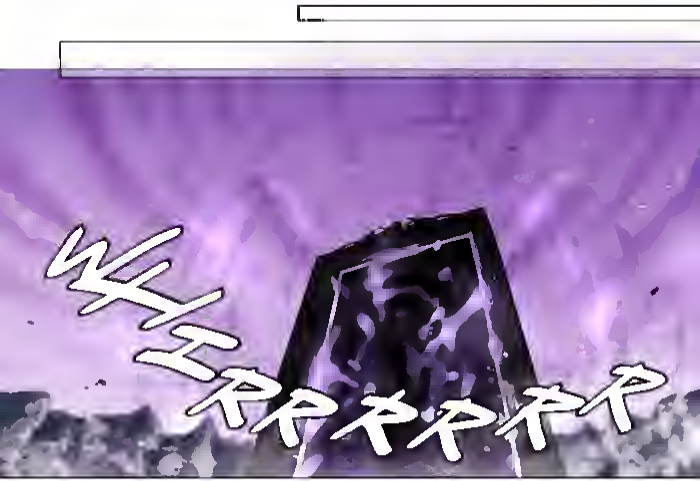
THAT IS...
NOT ONLY ABOUT
THE SACRIFICE FOR
THE GATEWAY...

BUT ALSO ABOUT
THE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
MEPHISTO AND I.




IS NOT ME..
BUT SHIHOON..


I SAID, I'M SORRY
WAIT TILL YOU REALLY GET IN TROUBLE!!
TA-DA-DA
DA-DA-DA
CAN WE GET GOING NOW?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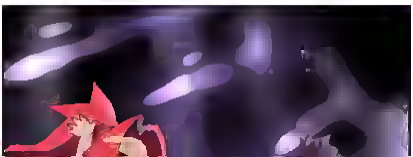

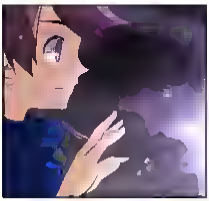

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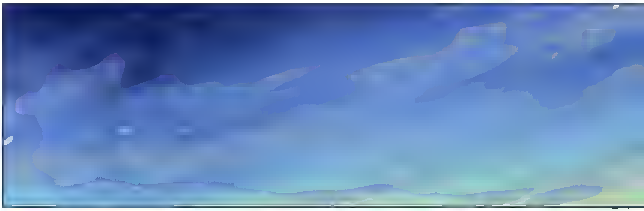
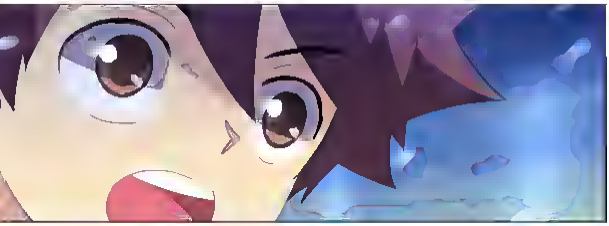


WHOOOO M

SHOOOSH

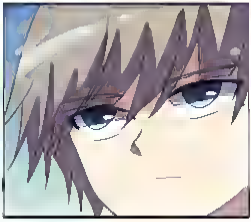
SHOOOOOOOOAH

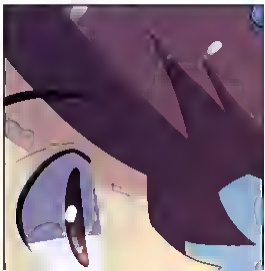


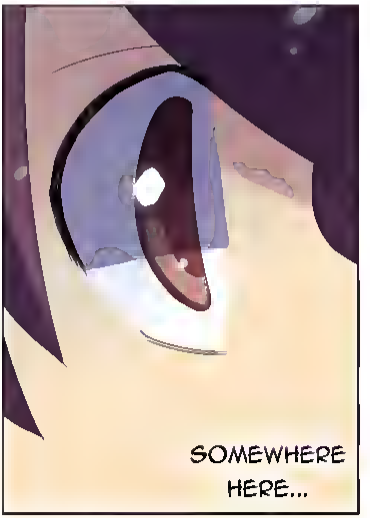
Ssssss!

YAAAAY~!!

WE'RE HERE,
WE'RE HERE!!
THE UNDERWORLD!!

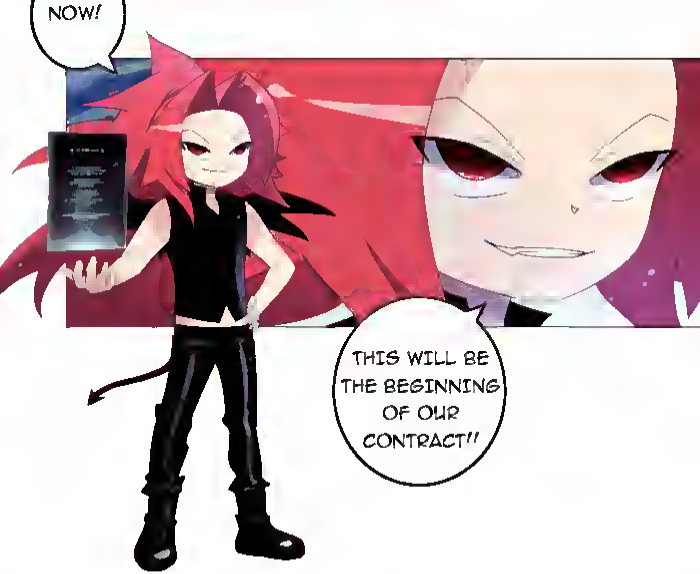


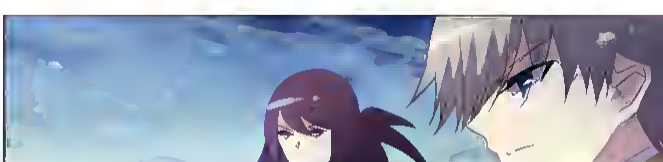



SOMEWHERE
HERE...

THERE IS....
MOM AND DAD..!

PFFT



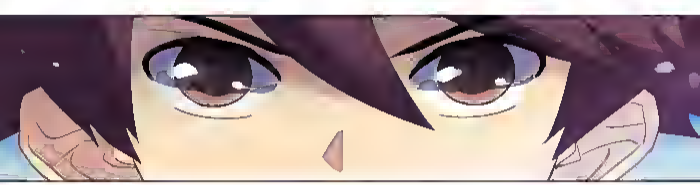


THE CONTRACT.

THE HUMAN, FAUST WILL REHABILITATE THE DEMON, MEPHISTOPHELES.

IF HE FAILS, FAUST'S SOUL AND BODY WILL BE IN POSSESSION OF MEPHISTOPHELES.

THE JUDGE WILL BE
SHIHOON CHA.



CONTRACT COMMENCE.

KAKAKAKAKAKA!!

FAUST! PREPARE YOURSELF!

IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE YOUR SOUL BELONGS TO ME!!

KEKEKEKE

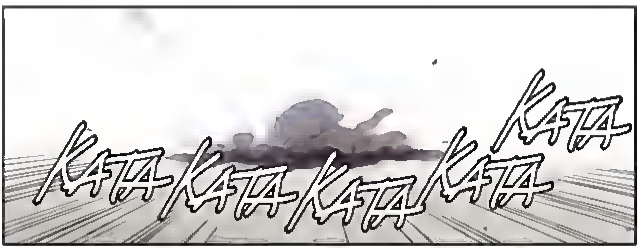
YOU SHOULD BE THE ONE PREPARING SINCE I'M GOING TO REHABILITATE YOU

SNEAK SNEAK SNEAK

WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING, MINOTAURUS?
!!

DIDN'T I SAY THAT THERE'S SOMETHING YOU'LL HAVE TO DO IN THE UNDERWORLD?
YOU WEREN'T PLANNING ON RUNNING AWAY, WERE YOU?
SWOOP
AH...HA...HAHA

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO DO ..?
DROOP
EMM
JUST WAIT A BIT. IT'LL BE TIME SOON.
HUH?
I THINK SOMETHING IS HEADED THIS WAY!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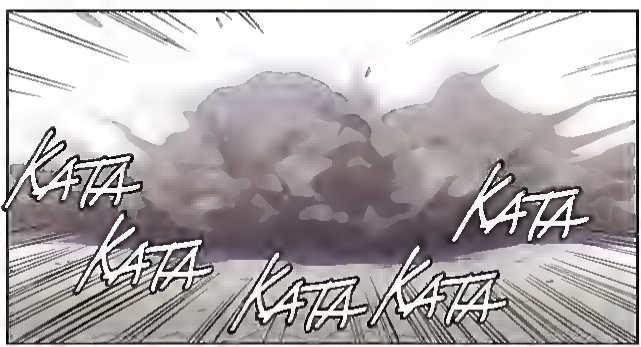
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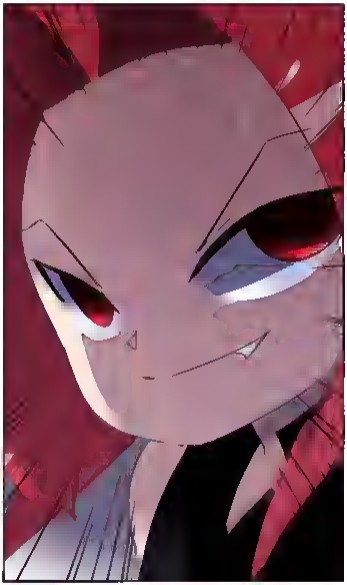
CRAP...!!
WHAT IN THE WORLD!!
HUH?

THAT'S..!
KERBEROS!!
WOOSH



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TA
KA TA
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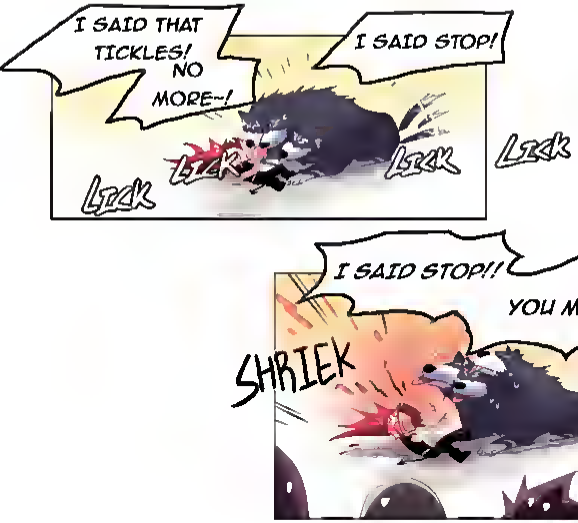
KERBEROS!!
LEAP

THUMP

MEPHISTO!!

SLIMY

HEY C'MON, THAT TICKLES~
THAT'S ENOUGH~
WOOF~

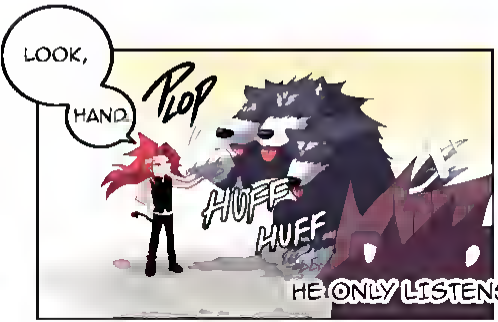

I SAID THAT TICKLES! NO MORE~!
I SAID STOP!
LICK
LICK
LICK
LICK
I SAID STOP!!
YOU MUTT!!
SHRIEK

UH, MEPHISTO... WHAT'S GOING ON RIGHT NOW?

HUH?

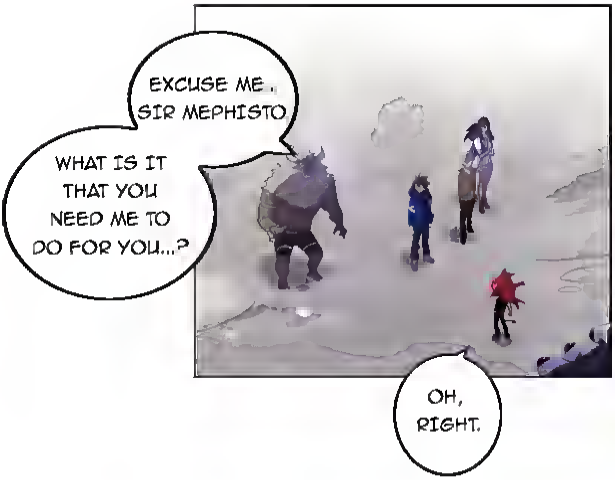
OH, THIS IS MY PET MONSTER.
KERBEROS
GRRR RRRR
RRR

CUTE, RIGHT?
WHERE ARE YOU GOING..!!
GRRRRRR

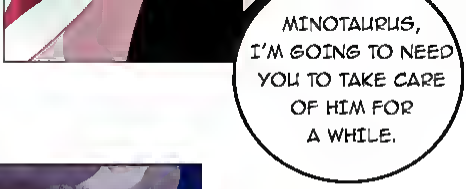

LOOK, HAND.
PLOP
HUFF HUFF
HE ONLY LISTENS TO YOU...!!

MEPHISTO, WHAT IS KERBEROS DOING HERE?
GOOD BOY!!
PET PET

ISN'T KERBEROS SUPPOSED TO BE KEEPING GUARD OF ONE OF THE MANY GATEWAYS TO THE UNDERWORLD..?
I FREED HIM 'CAUSE I LIKED HIM.
IT'S BEEN ABOUT 300 YEARS NOW? I TAKE HIM AROUND AS MY PET
HE REALLY LIKES ME TOO.
HUFF HUFF
HE CAME TO FIND ME ALL THE WAY HERE ON HIS OWN.


EXCUSE ME, SIR MEPHISTO
WHAT IS IT THAT YOU NEED ME TO DO FOR YOU...?
OH, RIGHT.

MY CUTE LITTLE KERBEROS.


MINOTAURUS, I'M GOING TO NEED YOU TO TAKE CARE OF HIM FOR A WHILE.

WHAT ????!!!!!!!!

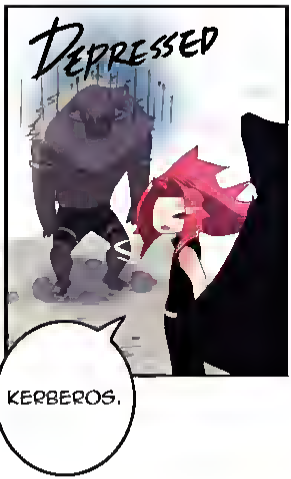
YOU WANT ME TO LOOK AFTER HIM ...?
YUP.

THAT DOGGY...?
YUP YUP

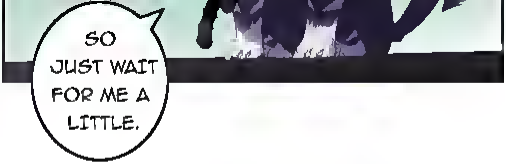
SINCE I'M GOING TO HAVE TO MOVE AROUND WITH THE HUMANS,
I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE GOOD TO TAKE KERBEROS AROUND WITH US.
WHIMPER
SCRATCH
HE CAN TAKE CARE OF HIS FOOD OR ANYTHING ELSE ON HIS OWN. SO I'M SURE IT WON'T BE TOO MUCH TROUBLE.

SO TAKE GOOD CARE OF HIM.
BUT, BUT STILL...

WHY?! YOU DON'T WANT TO?!
HAHAHAHA
NO!!
I'LL LOOK AFTER HIM AS LONG AS IT TAKES!!

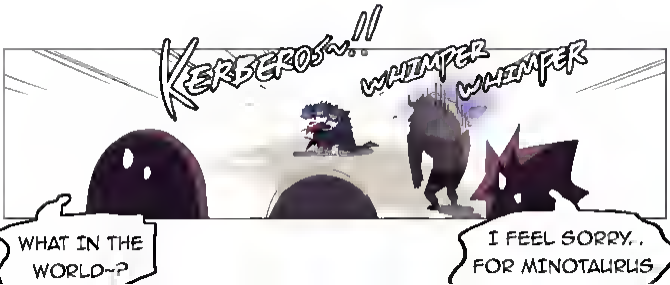

DEPRESSED
KERBEROS.

I'M GOTTA BE AWAY FOR A WHILE...
CUDDLE


SO JUST WAIT FOR ME A LITTLE.

AND DON'T EAT THAT CALF EVEN IF YOU DON'T LIKE HIM..
GRAP

BE GOOD.
WHIMPER

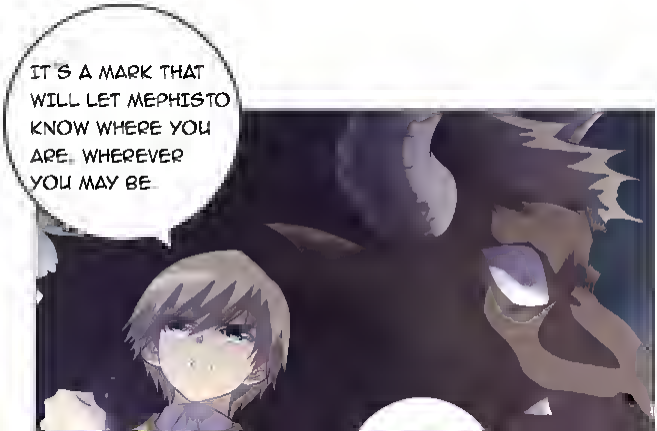

KERBEROS~!!
WHIMPER
WHIMPER
WHAT IN THE WORLD~?
I FEEL SORRY.. FOR MINOTAURUS

SWOOOOOSH!

SWOOSH!

WHAT IS THIS, SIR MEPHISTO?
IT'S A STIGMA
SSH

A DEMON'S STIGMA...


IT'S A MARK THAT WILL LET MEPHISTO KNOW WHERE YOU ARE. WHEREVER YOU MAY BE.

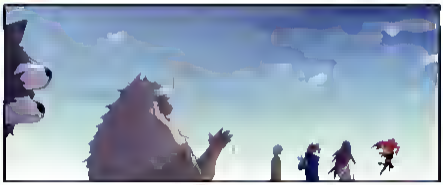
MINOTAURUS, YOU TOO ARE NOW...
TRAPPED FOREVER AND BOUND TO MEPHISTO AS LONG AS YOU HAVE IT.

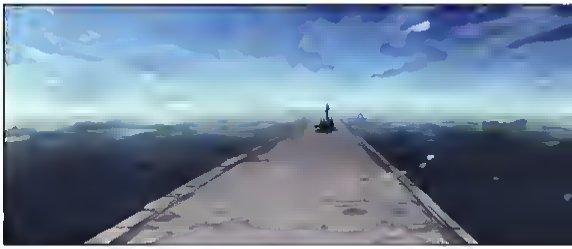
WHAT?!!
MEPHISTO, YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THIS FOR ME TO TAKE CARE OF THAT MUTT.. I MEAN KERBEROS!
OF COURSE,
BUT JUST IN CASE
STILL...!

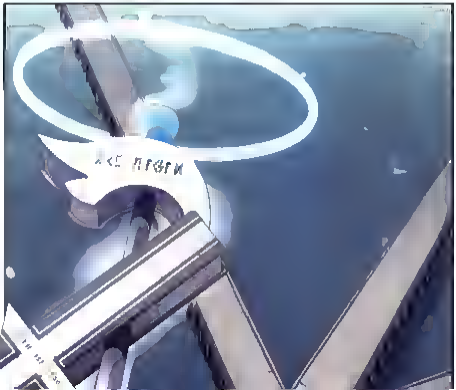
SHUT IT!!
I'LL GET RID OF IT WHEN I'M BACK!!
GOT A PROBLEM?! HUH?!!
NO...NO
..

AH~ THINGS TOOK LONGER THAN I EXPECTED

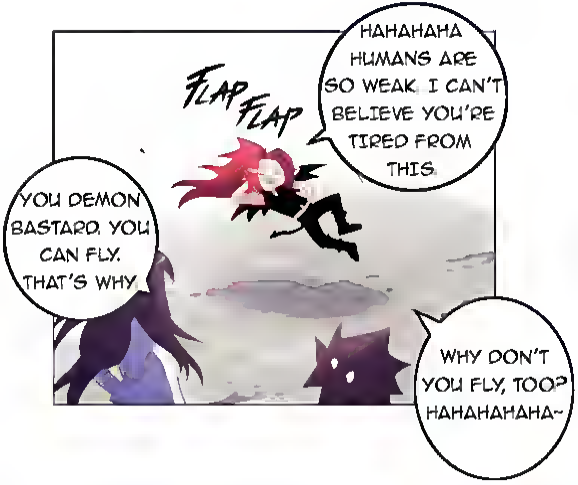
C'MON. LET'S GET GOING~!
WHO WERE WE WAITING ON THIS WHOLE TIME...!







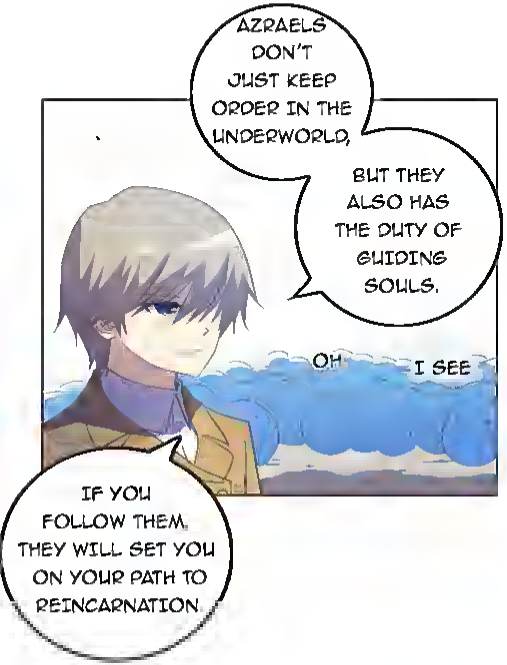
WHEW~ WE'VE COME QUITE A BIT, BUT IT'S A LOT FURTHER THAN I THOUGHT.
I KNOW.
IT'S A BIT TIRING.


FLAP FLAP
HAHAHAHA HUMANS ARE SO WEAK. I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE TIRED FROM THIS.
YOU DEMON BASTARD. YOU CAN FLY. THAT'S WHY.
WHY DON'T YOU FLY, TOO? HAHAHAHAHA~

BY THE WAY.. WHAT IS THIS, FAUST?
A SOUL POINT.

A SOUL POINT?
IT'S A MARKER THAT LETS SOULS KNOW WHICH DIRECTION TO GO.

THERE'S A BUNCH OF THESE AROUND THE UNDERWORLD. IF A SOUL WAITS AT THESE POINTS, AN AZRAEL WILL COME PICK THEM UP.


AZRAELS DON'T JUST KEEP ORDER IN THE UNDERWORLD,
BUT THEY ALSO HAS THE DUTY OF GUIDING SOULS.
OH
I SEE
IF YOU FOLLOW THEM, THEY WILL SET YOU ON YOUR PATH TO REINCARNATION.

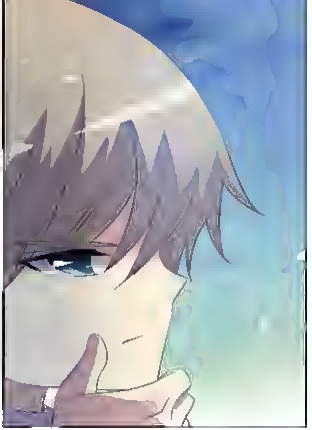
THE PROBLEM IS...

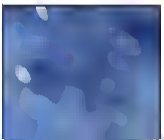
IF AN AZRAEL COMES HERE, HE WILL MEET MEPHISTO.

WHEN MEPHISTO CAME SEARCHING FOR ME IN THE HUMAN WORLD, HE DESTROYED ONE OF AZRAEL'S STRONGHOLDS...

AS OUR CONTRACT HAS STARTED, MEPHISTO IS GOING TO WANT TO FIGHT AZRAEL NO MATTER WHAT.

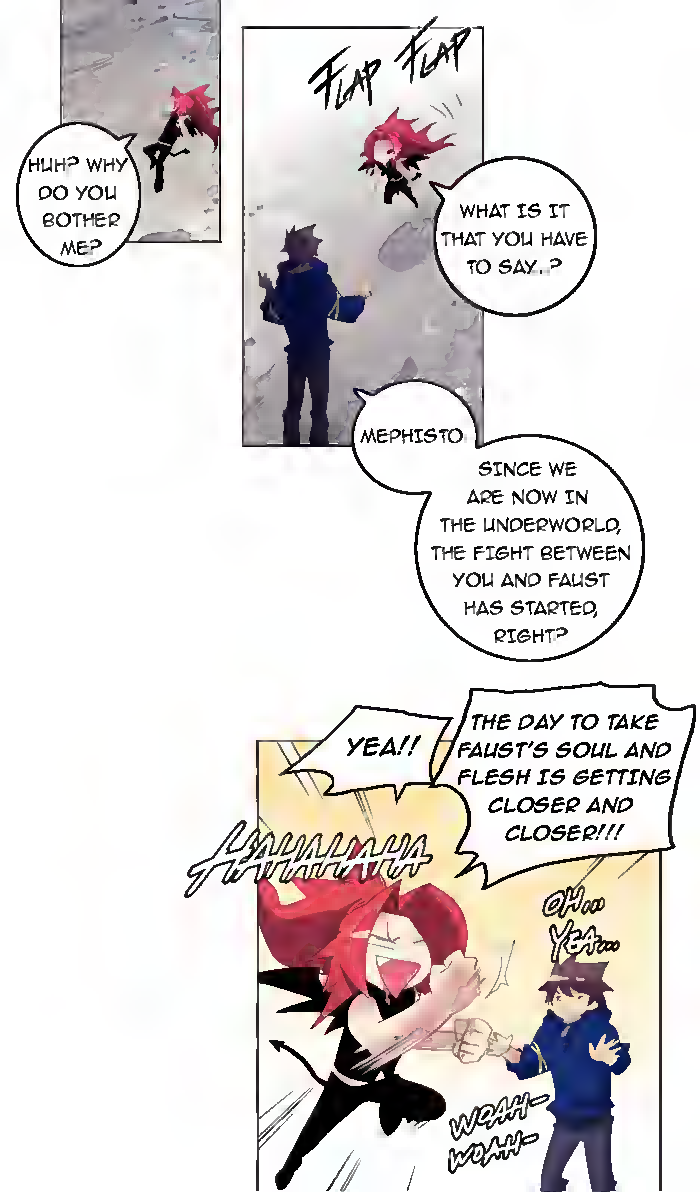
THAT'S .. NOT GOOD.. WHAT SHOULD WE DO...?





MEPHISTO.

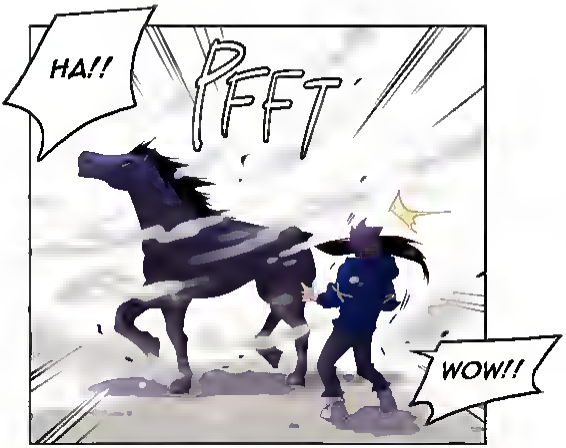
CAN YOU PLEASE COME HERE FOR A SEC?
I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY


HUH? WHY DO YOU BOTHER ME?
FLAP FLAP
WHAT IS IT THAT YOU HAVE TO SAY..?
MEPHISTO
SINCE WE ARE NOW IN THE UNDERWORLD, THE FIGHT BETWEEN YOU AND FAUST HAS STARTED, RIGHT?
YEA!!
THE DAY TO TAKE FAUST'S SOUL AND FLESH IS GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER!!!
AHAHAHAHAHA
OHoo Yeahoo
WOAH~ WOAH~

SO...
I'LL GIVE YOU SOME INFORMATION TO USE IN YOUR BET...
WHAT?!

MEPHISTO, YOU CAN SHAPESHIFT, RIGHT?
WHAT? HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT?

YOU TOLD ME TO READ FAUST'S BOOK. THERE WERE A LOT OF SCENES WHERE YOU SHAPESHIFTED.
OH, REALLY?
SO CAN YOU REALLY SHAPESHIFT INTO DIFFERENT ANIMALS?
A HORSE, FOR EXAMPLE.
THAT'S A PIECE OF CAKE.


HA!!
PFFT
WOW!!

WOW~ THAT'S AWESOME~~
HOW ABOUT SOMETHING SMALL LIKE A RAT?

OF COURSE I CAN!

PFFT

HAHAHAHA
HOW'S THAT!!

YOU'RE AWESOME! MEPHISTO!

THEN...
CAN YOU STAY LIKE THIS FOR AROUND THREE DAYS?

IF YOU CAN, I'LL GIVE YOU SOME EXTRA POINTS.
?!

SO...
IF I STAY IN THIS FORM...

YOU'LL GIVE ME A THOUSAND POINTS?
YUP.
I'M THE JUDGE, REMEMBER?

A THOUSAND POINTS IS HUGE, YOU KNOW?
THAT'S TRUE. BUT IT'S BOTHERSOME TO STAY IN THIS

FORM FOR THREE DAYS
I'LL JUST BOTHER SOMEONE ELSE TO GET THE POINTS
YOU CAN TRY GETTING POINT BY POINT THAT WAY, BUT THERE'S NO WAY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GET A THOUSAND POINTS IN JUST THREE DAYS
GOING UP DIRECTLY AGAINST FAUST WILL BE A LOT BETTER FOR YOUR TOTAL POINTS
BUT, WHAT DOES ME STAYING IN THIS FORM HAVE TO DO WITH FAUST?

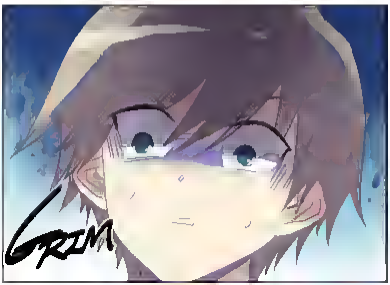
HUH? YOU DON'T KNOW?

FAUST IS EXTREMELY AFRAID OF RATS, I HEARD.

I THINK HE GOT BITTEN BY A RAT WHEN HE WAS YOUNGER . OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT...

FAUST, CAN YOU COME HERE FOR A SECOND~!
SHIHOON,
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
SSH
OH, IT'S NOTHING REALLY.. THERE'S SOMETHING I WANNA SHOW YOU.
LOOK!

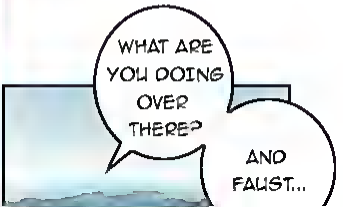
BLING


GRIM

AHHHHH
RAT!!!!

~~!!
OH, IT'S TRUE!

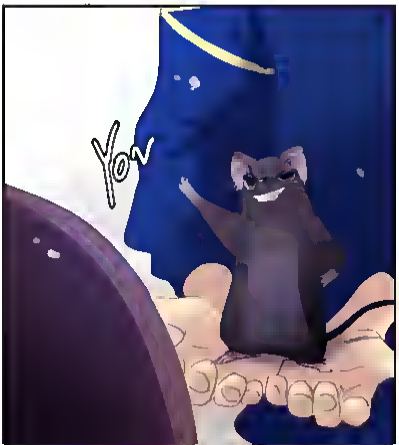
SEE, I WAS TELLING YOU THE TRUTH.

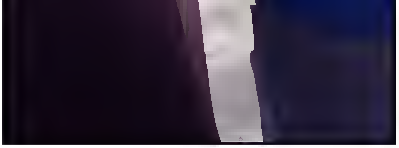


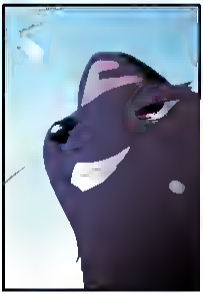
HUH?
OH SIS..

WE
HAVE NO IDEA
WHEN AZRAELS
MIGHT SHOW UP,
BUT YOU'RE OVER
HERE DOING..

HUH?







KYAHHHHHHHHHH!!!

DISGUSTING!!!

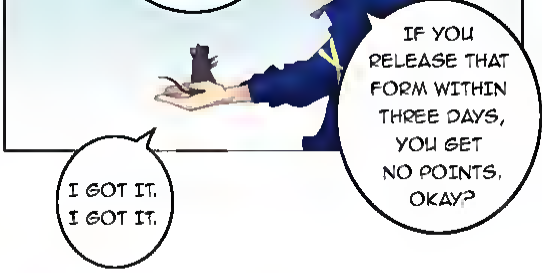
AHHHHHHHHH~

OH! LOOKS LIKE THAT EXORCIST IS AFRAID OF RATS, TOO!

HATES RATS FOR REAL.

GOOD, GOOD!!
THEIR REACTIONS ARE MAKING THIS FUN!!
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS STAY IN THIS FORM, RIGHT?

YUP, FOR A THOUSAND POINTS
BUT YOU MUST STAY IN THAT FORM FOR THREE DAYS


IF YOU RELEASE THAT FORM WITHIN THREE DAYS, YOU GET NO POINTS, OKAY?
I GOT IT. I GOT IT.

JUST GET READY TO GIVE ME THE THOUSAND POINTS
FOR NOW, LET ME BORROW YOUR HOODIE
COZY

SUCCESS, FAUST.
NOD

SHIHOON,
WELL DONE.

IF IT'S FOR THREE DAYS... WE MAY BE ABLE TO SLIP OUT OF HERE WITHOUT AZRAELS NOTICING.
WE JUST HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT MEPHISTO AND AZRAELS DON'T MEET EACH OTHER.
THEN WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GO ON WITHOUT ANY TROUBLE.

SWOOOOOOSH

MY MY...
Swoop
HAVE YOU BEEN WAITING FOR A LONG TIME?

I'VE COME TO PICK UP THE SOULS.
WE ARE AZRAELS WHO GUIDE THE SOULS

SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

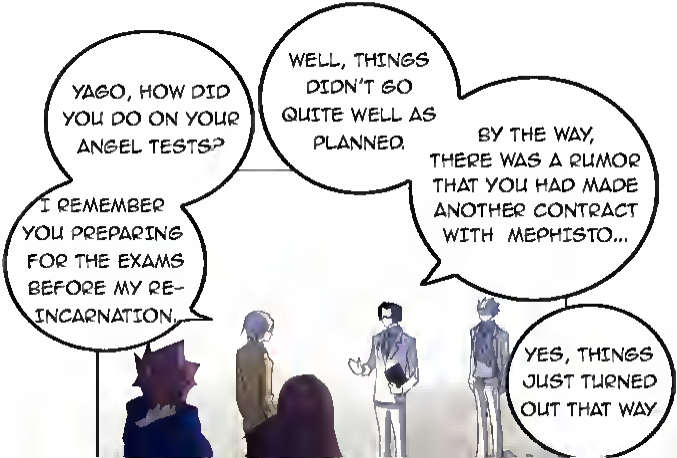
LINE Webtoon

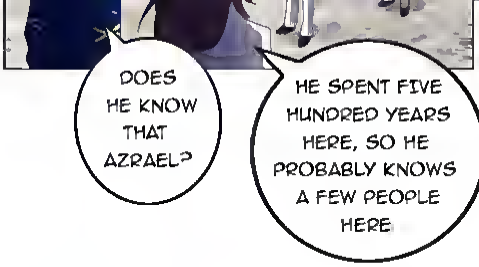
WE ARE AZRAELS. WE ARE THE ONES IN CHARGE OF GUIDING SOULS IN THIS REGION.
SORRY WE'RE A BIT LATE. WE HAD SOME CLERICAL WORK TO FINISH.
I'M YAGO, AND HE'S...
BANWOO
LET'S SEE.
EMM... THERE'S QUITE A BIT.

AND WITH HUMANS AS WELL..
HUH?

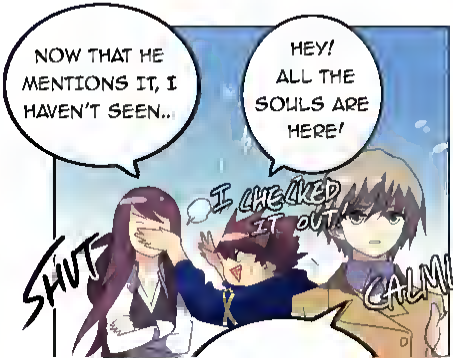
AREN'T YOU...
FAUST?!
LONG TIME NO SEE, YAGO

YES, IT REALLY HAS BEEN A LONG TIME. HAS IT BEEN ABOUT FOURTEEN YEARS SINCE YOUR REINCARNATION?
YES, IT SEEMS SO.
IS EVERYONE ELSE DOING OKAY?
OF COURSE. EVERYONE ELSE IS DOING JUST FINE

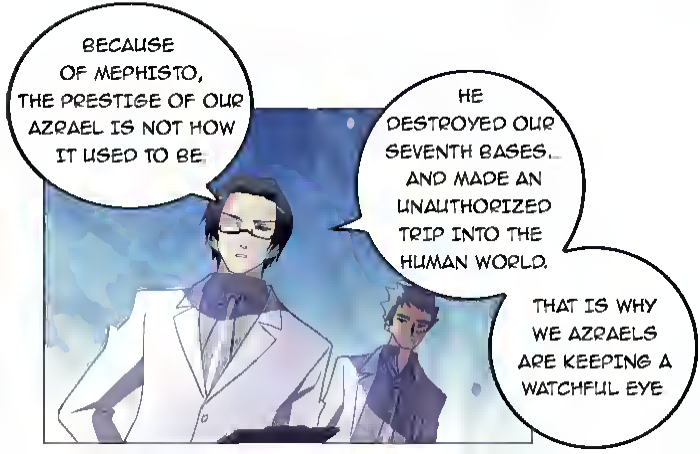

YAGO, HOW DID YOU DO ON YOUR ANGEL TESTS?
I REMEMBER YOU PREPARING FOR THE EXAMS BEFORE MY RE-INCARNATION.
WELL, THINGS DIDN'T GO QUITE WELL AS PLANNED.
BY THE WAY, THERE WAS A RUMOR THAT YOU HAD MADE ANOTHER CONTRACT WITH MEPHISTO...
YES, THINGS JUST TURNED OUT THAT WAY

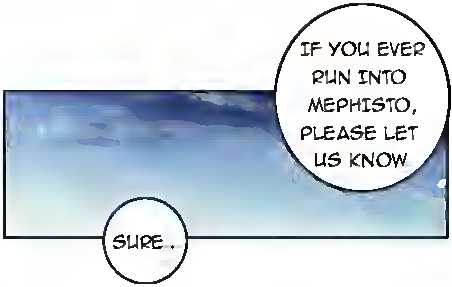

DOES HE KNOW THAT AZRAEL?
HE SPENT FIVE HUNDRED YEARS HERE, SO HE PROBABLY KNOWS A FEW PEOPLE HERE

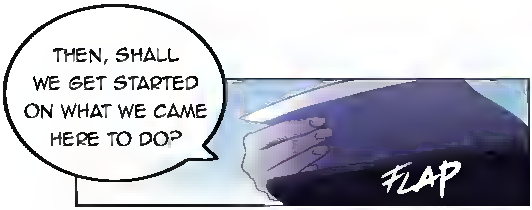
BUT..
DOES THE DEMON NOT FOLLOW YOU AROUND?

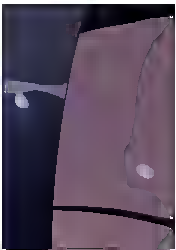

NOW THAT HE MENTIONS IT, I HAVEN'T SEEN..
HEY! ALL THE SOULS ARE HERE!
I CHECKED IT OUT!
SHUT
CALMLY~

WELL, THAT DEMON DOES WHATEVER HE PLEASES..


BECAUSE OF MEPHISTO, THE PRESTIGE OF OUR AZRAEL IS NOT HOW IT USED TO BE.
HE DESTROYED OUR SEVENTH BASES... AND MADE AN UNAUTHORIZED TRIP INTO THE HUMAN WORLD.
THAT IS WHY WE AZRAELS ARE KEEPING A WATCHFUL EYE


IF YOU EVER RUN INTO MEPHISTO, PLEASE LET US KNOW
SURE.


THEN, SHALL WE GET STARTED ON WHAT WE CAME HERE TO DO?
FLAP



YOU SOULS WILL NOW DECIDE ON...
YOUR FUTURE

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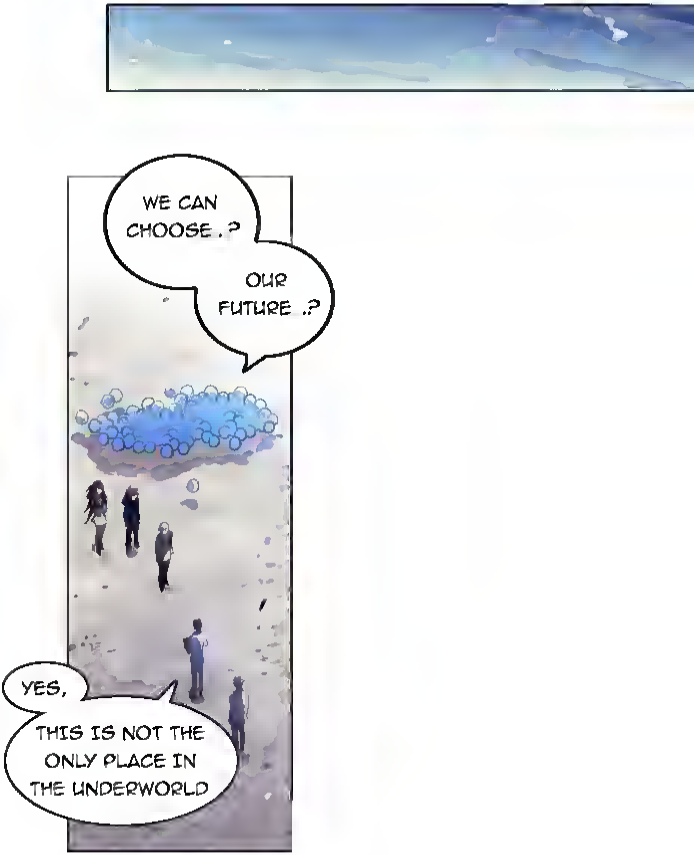
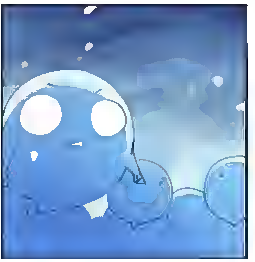

WE CAN CHOOSE .?
OUR FUTURE .?
YES,
THIS IS NOT THE ONLY PLACE IN THE UNDERWORLD

THIS IS A PLACE THAT'S KNOWN AS HELL THE FIRST DESTINATION FOR ALL SOULS
NOW THE ONLY WAY YOU ALL CAN REINCARNATE IS TO FIND A NEW BODY
THAT IS WHY THERE IS A PURGATORY
YOU MUST OVERCOME THE NUMEROUS TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF THIS PLACE TO GET A NEW BODY.
THERE ARE TWO PATHS IN PURGATORY
ONE IS TO EARN A NEW BODY AND REINCARNATE BACK INTO THE HUMAN WORLD
THE OTHER ONE IS TO EARN AN AZRAEL BODY AND TO REINCARNATE IN HEAVEN.

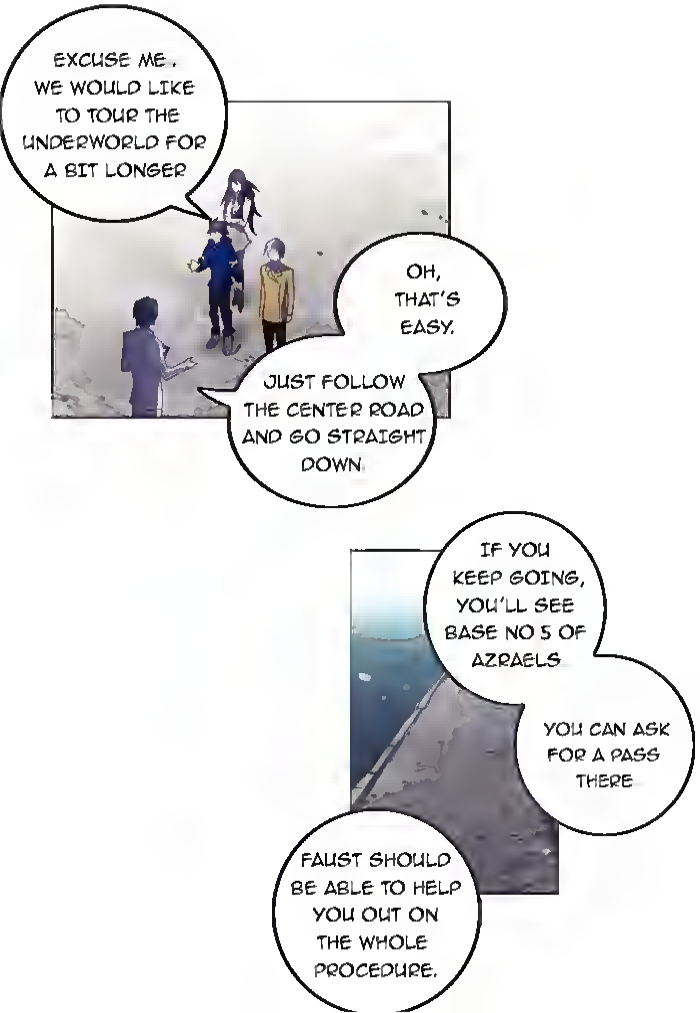
YOU CAN REINCARNATE AS AN AZRAEL?
IN HEAVEN?!
YES, UNLIKE THE ARCHANGELS WHO WERE CREATED BY GOD HIMSELF..
AZRAELS ARE ANGELS WHO ARE REINCARNATED HUMANS
AS AM I

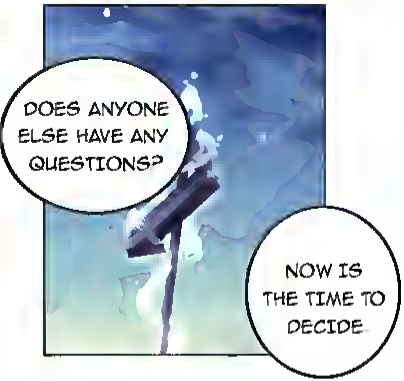
YES, HEAVEN IS THE HOME OF ANGELS AND AZRAELS.
AFTER YOU REINCARNATE THERE, YOU WILL BE ASSIGNED TO CERTAIN PLACES IN UNDERWORLD

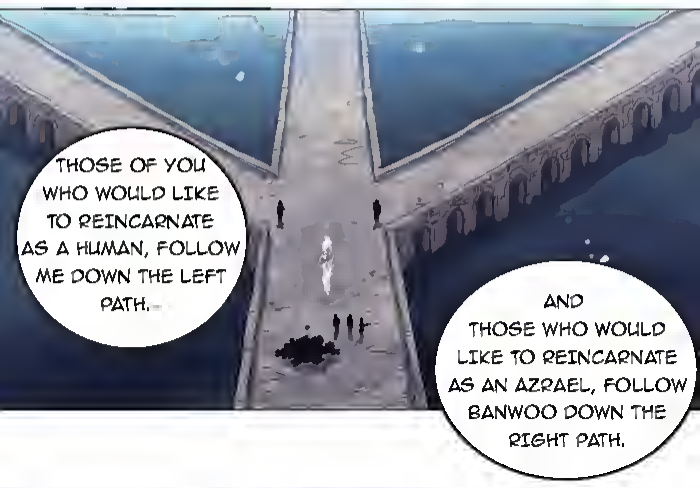
WILL YOU REINCARNATE BACK INTO A HUMAN AND RETURN TO THE HUMAN WORLD.
OR REINCARNATE AS AN AZRAEL AND SPEND THE REST OF YOUR LIVES IN THE UNDERWORLD.
THE CHOICE IS ALL YOURS

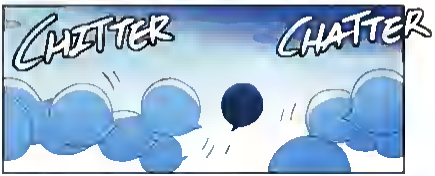


A HUMAN OR AN AZRAEL


EXCUSE ME. WE WOULD LIKE TO TOUR THE UNDERWORLD FOR A BIT LONGER
OH, THAT'S EASY.
JUST FOLLOW THE CENTER ROAD AND GO STRAIGHT DOWN.
IF YOU KEEP GOING, YOU'LL SEE BASE NO 5 OF AZRAELS
YOU CAN ASK FOR A PASS THERE
FAUST SHOULD BE ABLE TO HELP YOU OUT ON THE WHOLE PROCEDURE.


DOES ANYONE ELSE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?
NOW IS THE TIME TO DECIDE.

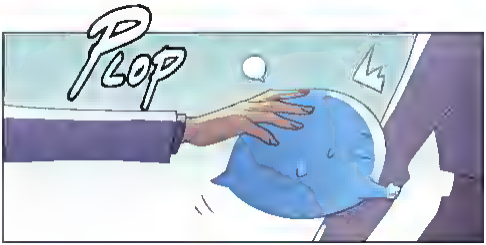

THOSE OF YOU WHO WOULD LIKE TO REINCARNATE AS A HUMAN, FOLLOW ME DOWN THE LEFT PATH.
AND THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO REINCARNATE AS AN AZRAEL, FOLLOW BANWOO DOWN THE RIGHT PATH.


CHITTER
CHATTER

...

NO!!
I WON'T GO!!
ZOOM
BIG SIS~!!
I DON'T WANT TO GO!!
I WANT TO STAY WITH YOU~!!
AHHHHH~
WHAT?

GET OFF!
NEVER!
THAT LITTLE BRAT..!
SSH


PLOP

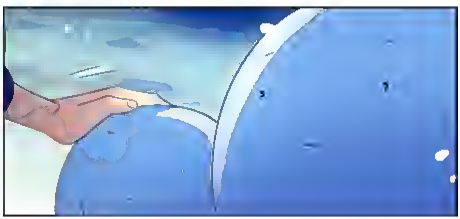
COME HERE
LET'S PASS THE TRIALS AND BECOME AN AWESOME

AZRAEL
AHHHH~
NO, I DON'T WANT TO~

HE'S LIKE THAT TILL THE END.
YEAH...

EXCUSE ME.
OH!

YOU'RE GOING TO REINCARNATE ALONG WITH YOUR CHILD, RIGHT?
YES..
THANK YOU FOR EARLIER AT THE GATEWAY
I HOPE WE CAN MEET EACH OTHER AGAIN IN THE HUMAN WORLD
AFTER YOU REINCARNATE
BE CAREFUL
WE'LL SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN.



...

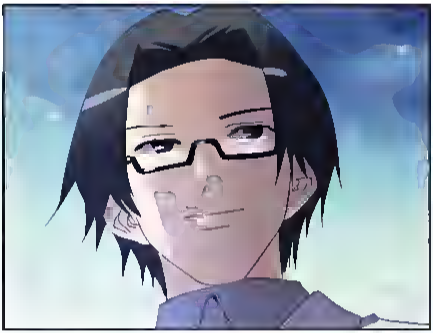
SHIHOON, LET'S GET GOING AS WELL.
YES, LET'S.

FAUST!

I HOPE WE CAN SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN AT THE NEXT AZRAEL BASE!

IF WE DO I'LL TREAT YOU TO DINNER!

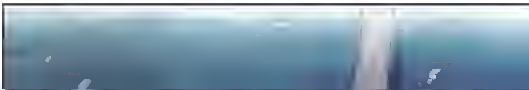
SURE, I LOOK FORWARD TO IT.

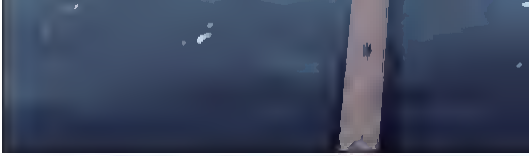


WOW~ YOU EVEN KNOW SOME AZRAELS. YOU'RE AMAZING, FAUST.

IT'S ONLY DUE TO THE FACT THAT I SPENT FIVE HUNDRED YEARS HERE, NOTHING MORE.

THAT'S WHAT'S AWESOME. I'M JEALOUS





AZRAEL
BASE NO.5

SO...
SHIHOON CHA, SOOIN CHA, AND FAUST... JUST YOU THREE, CORRECT?
YES...

YOU ARE REQUESTING A PASS SO THAT YOU CAN GO ON WITH YOUR TOUR IN THE UNDERWORLD, RIGHT..?

IF YOU'D KNOWN HOW DANGEROUS THE UNDERWORLD IS THESE DAYS,
I'D LIKE TO RECOMMEND YOU TO GO BACK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

NO, WE ARE.
I SEE.
THAT'S FINE.
IS HE TELLING US TO GO OR WHAT..?

FAUST,
YOU ARE SUCH
A FAMOUS
PERSON,
BUT I BELIEVE
THIS IS THE FIRST
TIME MEETING
YOU.
YES, IT'S
A PLEASURE
TO MEET YOU.
YOU
ARE THE ONLY ONE
WHO DEFEATED
THE DEMON
MEPHISTOPHELES.
AND WITH
A HUMAN BODY
AT THAT.
IT'S ALL
OLD NEWS.
RUSTLE

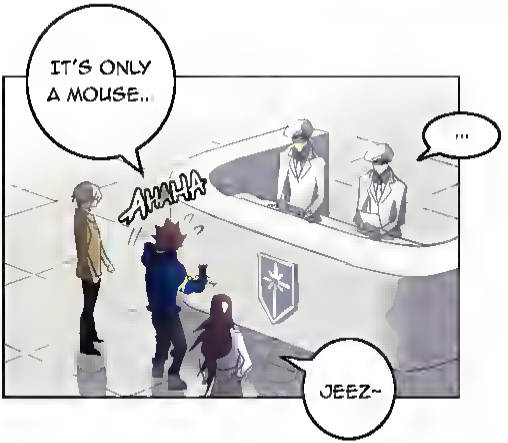
THINGS ARE CRAZY AROUND HERE BECAUSE OF THAT DEMON THESE DAYS
PLEASE BE CAREFUL AT ALL TIMES
THANK YOU, WE WILL
RUSTLE RUSTLE
HEY!! I DIDN'T LOSE TO FAUST!!
HEY! STAY STILL!!

YOU...
IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG?
FLINCH!

ARE YOU HIDING SOMETHING IN YOUR

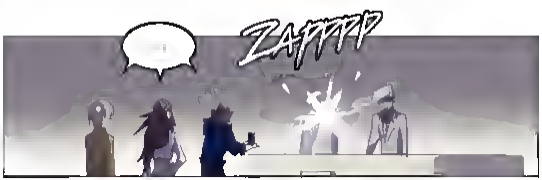
HOOD..?
GLARE
IF YOU ARE IN POSSESSION OF AN UNAUTHORIZED ITEM, WE CANNOT GRANT YOU THE PASS.
NO, IT'S, IT'S..
NOTHING..
AHHH

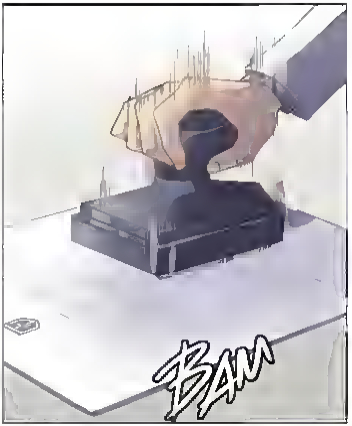
IT'S JUST THIS.
TADA
THUMP
THUMP
WHAT IS THAT!
MEPHISTO, IF YOU MORPH BACK YOU DON'T GET THE POINTS, OKAY?!
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT!
I JUST REMINDED HIM AGAIN— BUT, GEEZ~ THIS SO SCARY !!


IT'S ONLY A MOUSE..
AHHH
...
JEEZ~

..HMPH

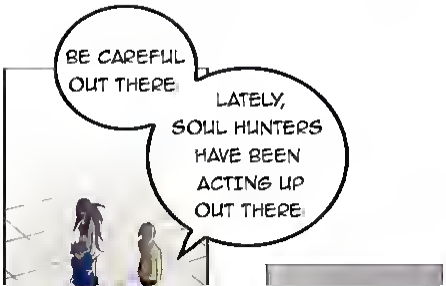
WHAT ARE YOU STARING AT!


ZAPPPP

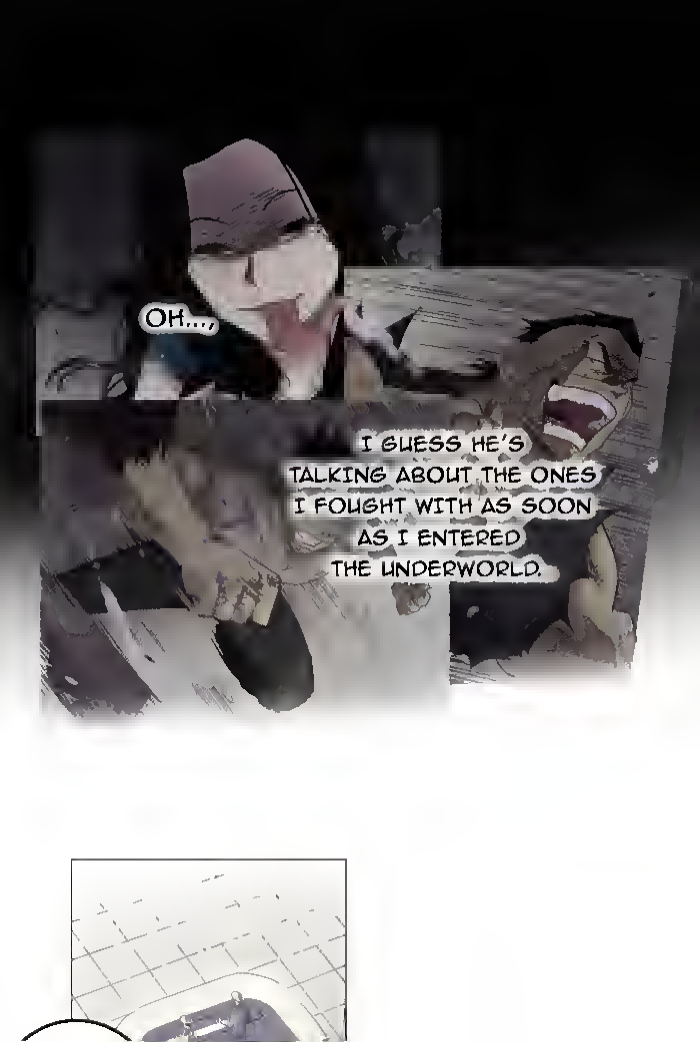

BAM

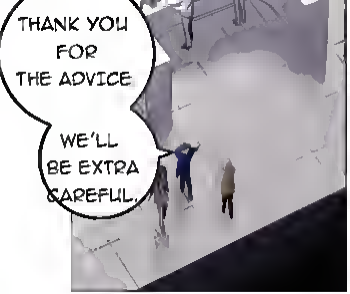
THIS IS A PASS FOR THE BASE NO.5.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET A PASS FOR ALL THE BASES, YOU WILL HAVE TO REQUEST AT CENTRAL HEAD-QUARTERS.
GOT IT, THANK YOU.

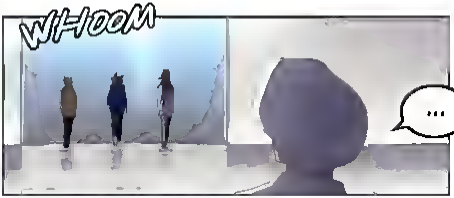
YOU MAY ENTER THROUGH THE DOOR IN THE BACK.
OKAY..


BE CAREFUL OUT THERE.
LATELY, SOUL HUNTERS HAVE BEEN ACTING UP OUT THERE.

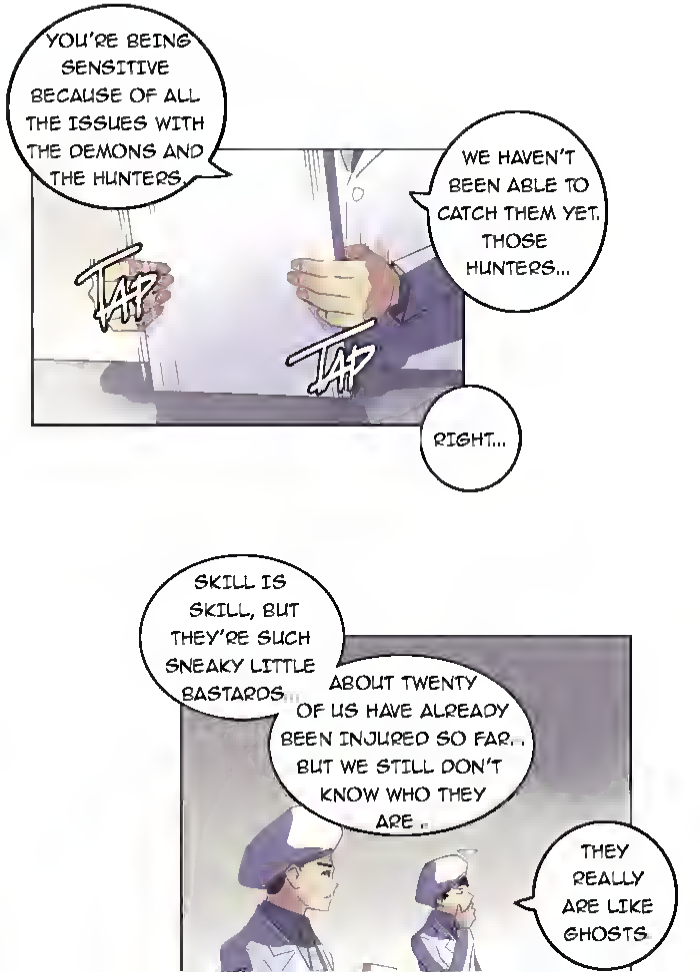
WHAT?!
HUNTERS?
THEY ARE MEIN HUNTERS WHO MAINLY TARGET THE SOULS.
THEY USED TO FLEE AS SOON AS THEY SAW AN AZRAEL, BUT
THESE DAYS, THEY EVEN FIGHT BACK.
AND ON TOP OF THAT, THERE ARE PRETTY POWERFUL ONES THESE DAYS, SO THINGS ARE NOT EASY FOR US, EITHER


OH...,
I GUESS HE'S TALKING ABOUT THE ONES I FOUGHT WITH AS SOON AS I ENTERED THE UNDERWORLD.

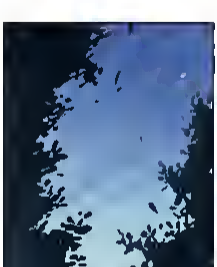

THANK YOU FOR THE ADVICE.
WE'LL BE EXTRA CAREFUL.


WI-IOOM
...

SOMETHING FEELS WEIRD ABOUT THOSE HUMANS...
ESPECIALLY THAT KID
C'MON, FAUST IS WITH THEM. DON'T WORRY ABOUT THEM SO MUCH.
HMM ..I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT.


YOU'RE BEING SENSITIVE BECAUSE OF ALL THE ISSUES WITH THE DEMONS AND THE HUNTERS.
WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO CATCH THEM YET. THOSE HUNTERS...
TAP
TAP
RIGHT...
SKILL IS SKILL, BUT THEY'RE SUCH SNEAKY LITTLE BASTARDS...
ABOUT TWENTY OF US HAVE ALREADY BEEN INJURED SO FAR. . BUT WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHO THEY ARE .
THEY REALLY ARE LIKE GHOSTS.

I KNOW, WE MUST HURRY AND CATCH THEM...
TAP
SOUL HUNTERS.

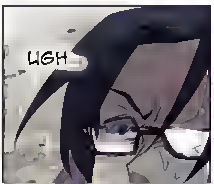

HUFF
HUFF

PUFF
HUFF
PUFF

HUFF
UGH
PUFF

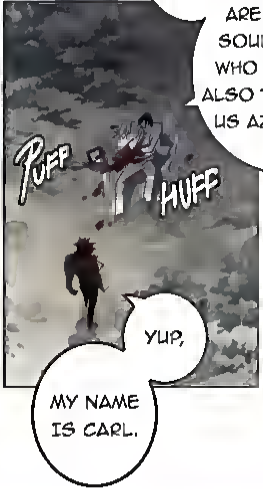
HA!
STILL ALIVE?

YOUR LIFE IS MORE TENACIOUS THAN I THOUGHT, HUH?


UGH...

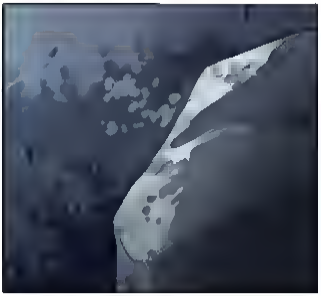
ARE YOU...

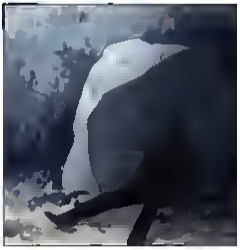
HE'S STRONG...!!

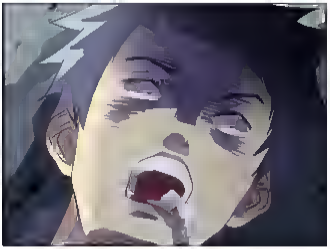

ARE YOU THE SOUL HUNTER WHO HAS BEEN ALSO TARGETING US AZRAELS...?
PUFF
HUFF
YUP,
MY NAME IS CARL.

I'M THE LAST MEIN YOU'LL EVER SEE

SLICE

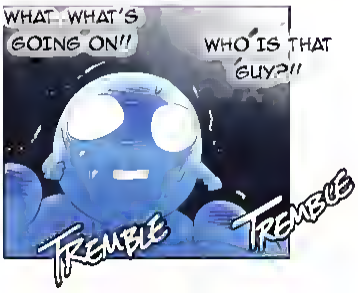






KEKEKEH..
I HEARD THEY IMPROVED THEIR BORDER PATROL BUT LOOKS LIKE IT'S NOTHING
I BET AZRAELS DIDN'T EXPECT WE'D COME ALL THE WAY IN HERE TO ATTACK THEM

KEKEKEKEH..
SHIVER
SHIVER


WHAT..WHAT'S GOING ON!!
WHO IS THAT GUY?!!
TREMBLE
TREMBLE

HMM?!

THERE'S NOTHING TO BE AFRAID OF I JUST GOT RID OF AN AZRAEL. THAT'S ALL.
I'M ETHAN
I'VE GOT SOME MANNERS, SO DON'T WORRY

I'M ONLY HERE TO LET YOU SOULS KNOW SOMETHING.

SOMETHING THAT THOSE AZRAEL GUYS DIDN'T TELL YOU...

THE REAL FUTURE OF YOU SOULS.
KEKEKE

KEKEKEKEKEKEKE
SI....BIG SIS....!!!!

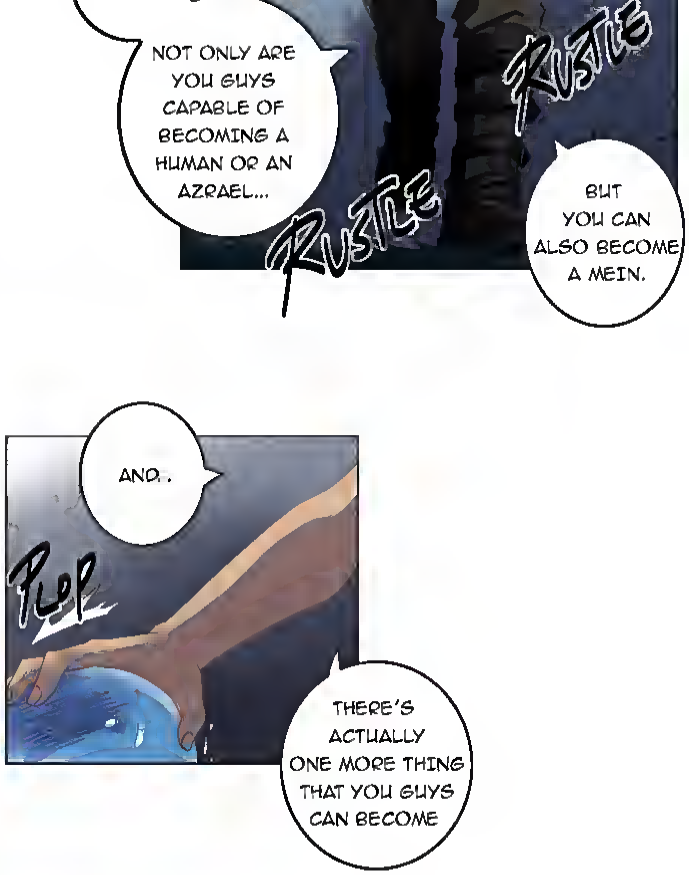
YOU'VE ALL HEARD WHAT HAPPENS, RIGHT?
THAT YOU CAN TAKE A TRIAL OR TEST.. AND THEN YOU WILL BE ABLE TO REINCARNATE AS A HUMAN OR AN AZRAEL.
BUT..
THERE'S SOMETHING THAT THEY DIDN'T TELL YOU.
THOSE OF YOU WHO FAIL TO PASS YOUR TRIALS AND TESTS..

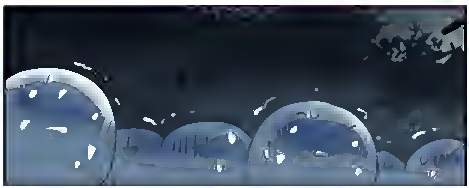
YOU WILL BASICALLY HAVE NO FURTHER CHANCES FOR REINCARNATION.
YOU WILL EITHER KEEP TAKING THE TESTS, CONFESS, OR PRAY FOR IT.
I CAN'T EVEN COUNT THE NUMBER OF SOULS STUCK IN PURGATORY FOR HUNDREDS, THOUSANDS OF YEARS.
THOSE WHO HAVE TRIED KNOW HOW HARD IT IS
THAT'S WHY THERE ARE SO MANY SOULS WHO GIVE UP AND RETURN TO HELL.

BUT THE PROBLEM IS . A SOUL HAS NO POWER WHATSOEVER. IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO SURVIVE IN THE UNDERWORLD
SO...
INSTEAD OF THE BODIES MADE BY GOD THAT'S HARD TO GET..
WE STARTED TO ILLEGALLY CREATED BODIES

THERE ARE THOSE WHO HAVE CREATED THEIR OWN BODIES.

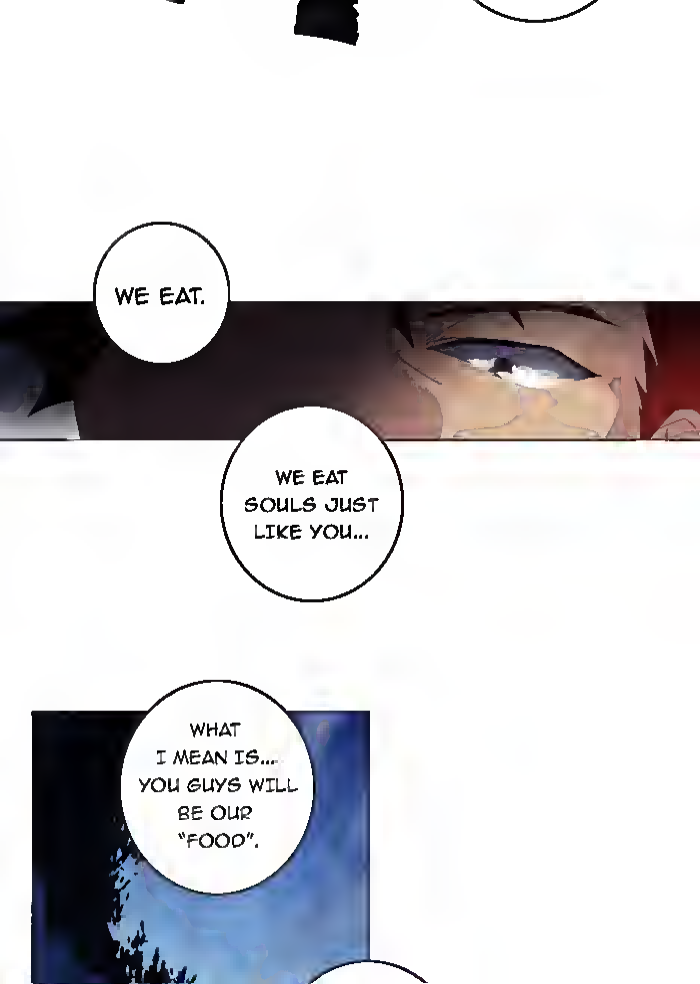
THAT IS A "MEIN".


NOT ONLY ARE YOU GUYS CAPABLE OF BECOMING A HUMAN OR AN AZRAEL...
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
BUT YOU CAN ALSO BECOME A MEIN.
AND. .
PLOP
THERE'S ACTUALLY ONE MORE THING THAT YOU GUYS CAN BECOME



SLURP

GULP
NOW DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
OUR MEIN BODIES ARE VERY UNSTABLE
SSH
OF COURSE IT IS-
BECAUSE YOU CAN'T COMPARE IT WITH A PERFECT BODY THAT GOD CREATED
SO, IN ORDER TO STABILIZE OUR INCOMPLETE BODIES


WE EAT.
WE EAT SOULS JUST LIKE YOU...
WHAT I MEAN IS... YOU GUYS WILL BE OUR "FOOD".

THIS IS...

YOUR REAL FUTURE.

SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

LINE Webtoon

YOU SOULS ARE NOTHING BUT "FOOD" TO US MEINS.

THIS IS...

YOUR REAL
FUTURE.

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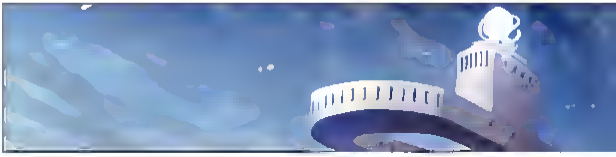


WOW~
SO THIS IS AN AZRAEL BASE!

Yawn~

YUP.
THIS IS BASE NO.5 AND THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 12 BASES IN THE UNDERWORLD
THAT'S PRETTY AMAZING.

FAUST... YOU SEEM TO KNOW A LOT OF AZRAELS.

BECAUSE I WAS WITH THEM FOR FIVE HUNDRED YEARS BEFORE MY REINCARNATION
THAT'S WHY.

ANYWAYS, THAT'S AMAZING
Pop
PHEW~!

GOD!! IT'S SUFFOCATING IN THERE!!

FLOP
MEPHISTO...!

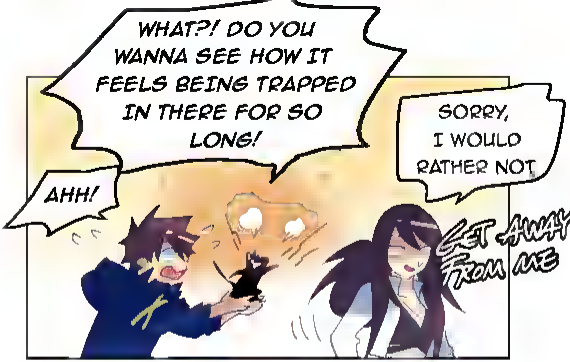
IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN A DAY YET~
YOU HAVE TO STAY INSIDE FOR A BIT LONGER
NO, IT'S CRAMPED IN THERE
IT'S NOT LIKE I HAVE TO STAY IN THERE!

YE..YEAH THAT'S TRUE, BUT.
THIS IS BAD. WE'RE ALMOST THERE...
..

LOOK,
WE JUST NEED TO GET ANOTHER PASS FROM THE CENTRAL OFFICE, SO SIT TIGHT JUST A BIT LONGER
...
WHY DID HE HAVE TO MORPH INTO A MOUSE..? DISGUSTING...

NOPE, I REFUSE.
I CAN'T TAKE THE STUFFINESS ANYMORE!
C'MON~
YOU CALL YOURSELF A DEMON AND YOU CAN'T HANDLE A LITTLE CLAUSTROPHOBIA?!

GNASH


WHAT?! DO YOU WANNA SEE HOW IT FEELS BEING TRAPPED IN THERE FOR SO LONG!
SORRY, I WOULD RATHER NOT
AHH!
GET AWAY FROM ME

ARE YOU KIDDING ME!!
POW
POW
WAIT...! BOTH OF YOU PLEASE BE QUIET...

YOU LITTLE!!!
SWOOP
?!!

SPLOT

WHY DON'T YOU TALK SOME MORE?!
PANGLE
PANGLE

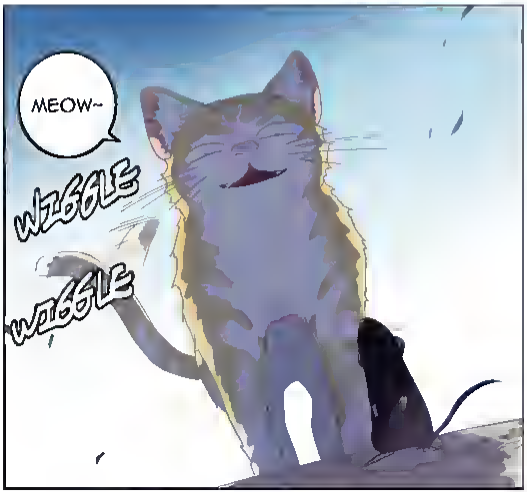
HELL

KYAHHHHHHHHHHHHH!!!
SLAM

UGH~!!
A MOUSE...
ON MY...FACE...!!
SI...SIS...
CREEPS
CREEPS
THAT LITTLE...

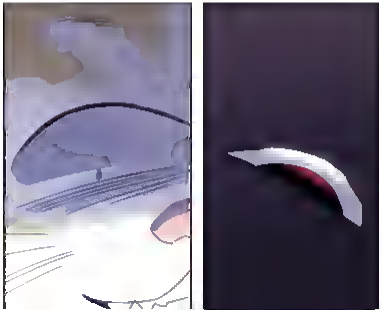
HEY! EXORCIST!
SSH
HUH?

HISS


MEOW~
WIGGLE
WIGGLE

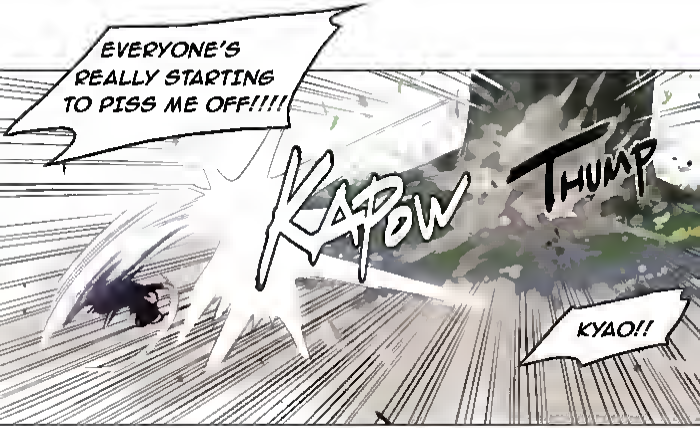
MEOW~

WHAT DO YOU WANT, YOU STUPID CAT?

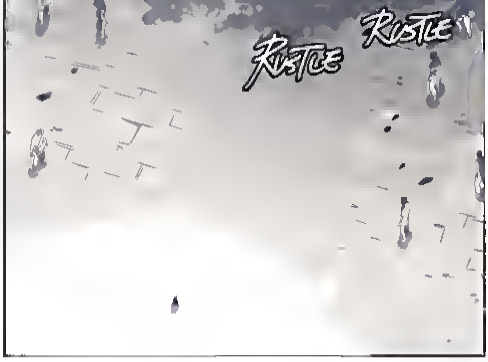


SWOOD
MEOWWW~!!

RAGE
RAGE
NOW EVEN THE CAT IS


EVERYONE'S REALLY STARTING TO PISS ME OFF!!!!
KAPOW
THUMP
KYAO!!

RUSTLE


RUSTLE
RUSTLE

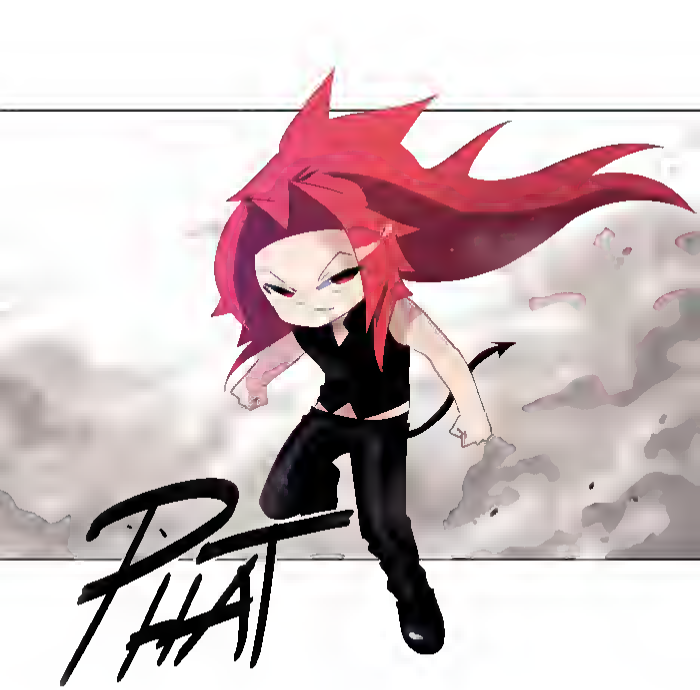
STUPID CAT...!!
SHOOOSH

DIZZY

SWISH
A CAT...
WAS BEATEN UP BY A MOUSE...?!

WHO ARE YOU!!
SHOW YOURSELF!!
TAP

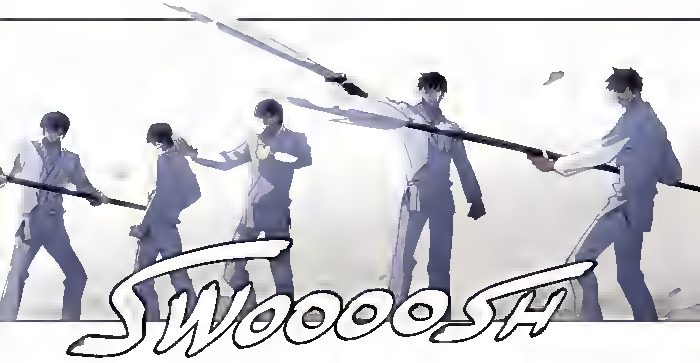
FINALLY NOTICED, EH?
BUNCH OF IDIOTS
SCREW IT!
I'M GETTING TIRED OF THIS ANYWAYS!!
PFFT


PHAT

THE DEMON, MEPHISTOPHELES?!!!

MEPHISTO!!
WHY DID YOU MORPH BACK?!
PETA-PATA

WOOSH
!!


SWOOOOSH

DAMN...

THIS IS WHAT
I WAS WORRIED
ABOUT...

AHEM IT'S A SHAME I WON'T BE ABLE TO GET THE THOUSAND POINTS AT ONCE BUT,
THIS IS ANOTHER WAY TO EARN SOME POINTS...

SHIHOON, ONE POINT PER ONE AZRAEL!
WHAT?!

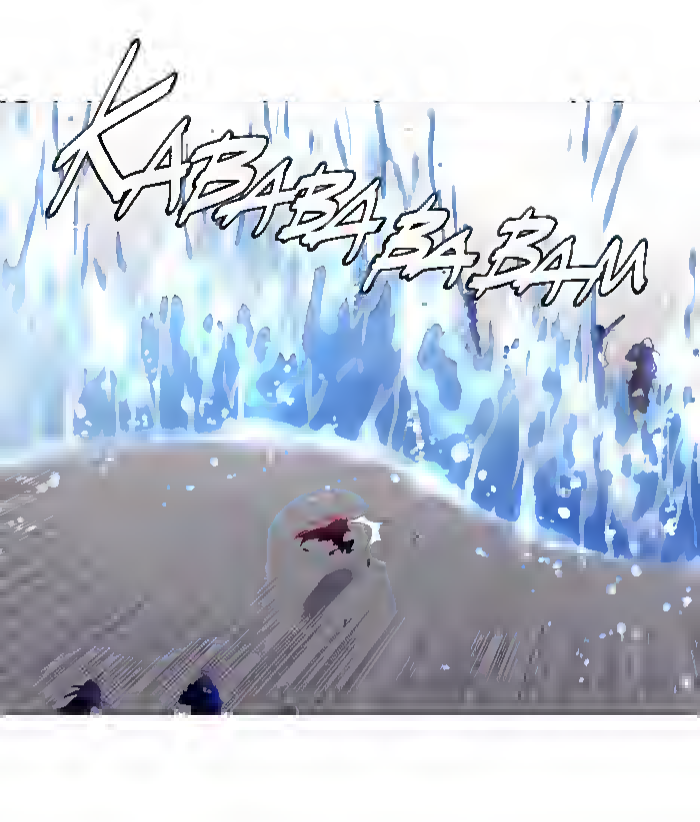
ALRIGHT, LOOKS LIKE IT'S TIME FOR A SMALL WORKOUT!
SWING
SWING

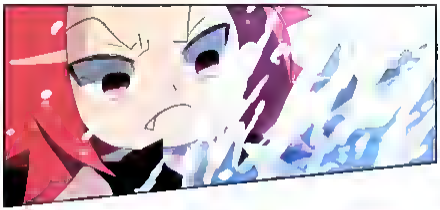
FLUTTER

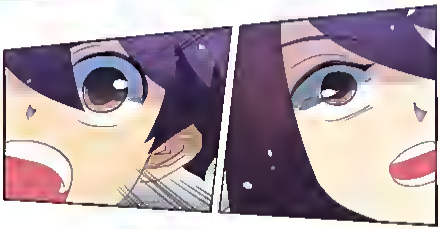
MEPHISTO!!
TAP

NO...!
PHAT

STOP!!
SWIRLLL

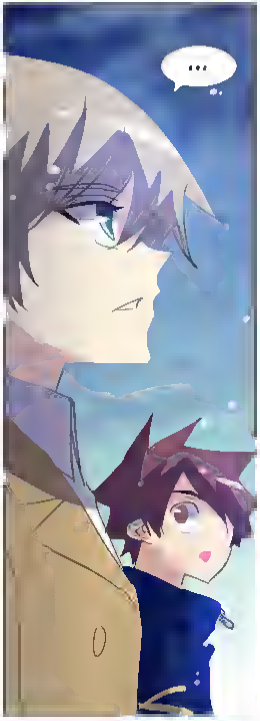

KABABABABAM





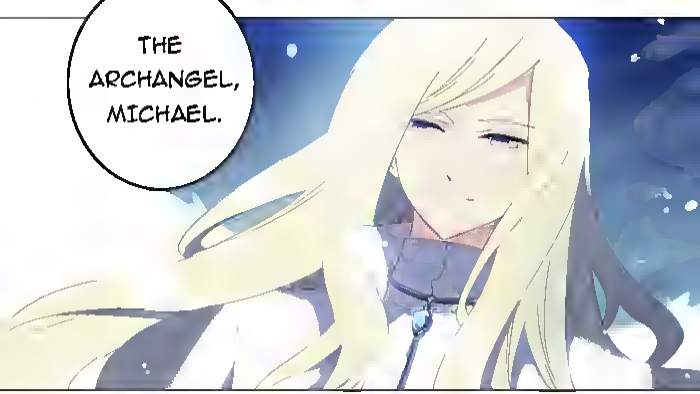
WATER...?!
COULD IT BE...?

SWASH



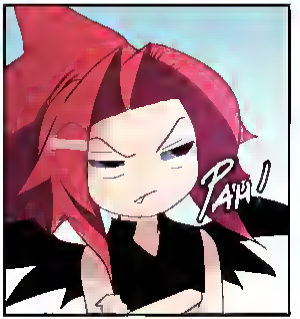
MICHAEL...!!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, FAUST

M...MICHAEL ...?
YEA.
GOD'S MOST TRUSTED ANGEL.
THE TOP COMMANDER OF ALL ANGELS AND AZRAEL.


THE ARCHANGEL, MICHAEL.

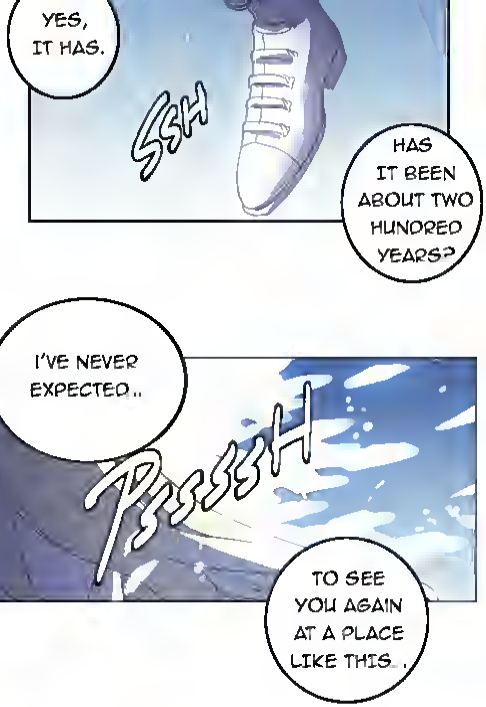
ARCHANGEL...
MICHAEL...

I'VE ONLY
HEARD FROM
RUMORS...
ARCHANGEL...


PAH!

HEY! MICHAEL!!
POINT

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, HUH?


YES, IT HAS.
SSH
HAS IT BEEN ABOUT TWO HUNDRED YEARS?
I'VE NEVER EXPECTED..
PSSSSH
TO SEE YOU AGAIN AT A PLACE LIKE THIS..
LONG TIME NO SEE.

THE DEMON,
MEPHISTOPHELES.

SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

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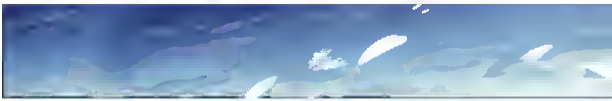

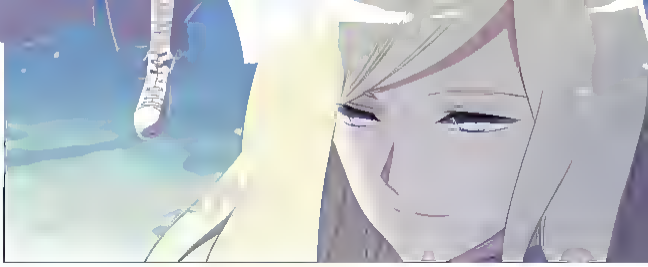

SOUL CARTEL

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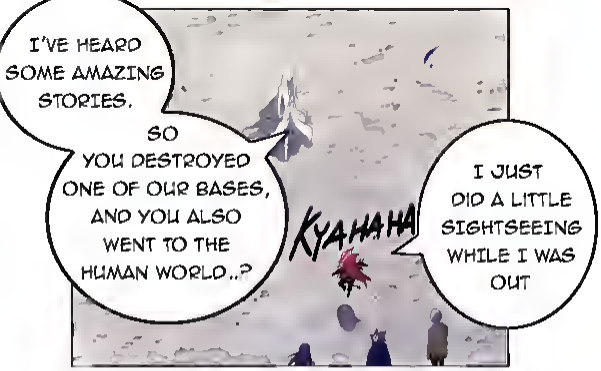
WOW.
WHAT'S A NOBLE ARCHANGEL LIKE YOURSELF DOING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?
BECAUSE OF YOU, MEPHISTO.


I'VE HEARD SOME AMAZING STORIES.
SO YOU DESTROYED ONE OF OUR BASES, AND YOU ALSO WENT TO THE HUMAN WORLD..?
KYAHAHA
I JUST DID A LITTLE SIGHTSEEING WHILE I WAS OUT

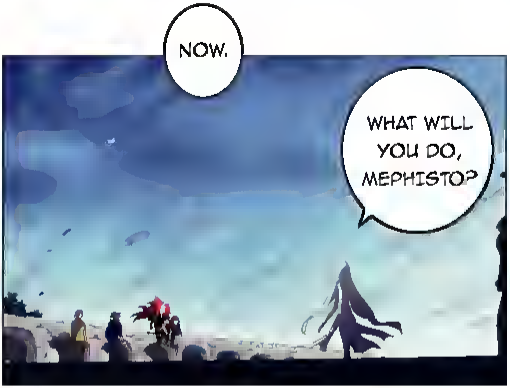
IT'S GOOD THAT FAUST DOESN'T SEEM TO BE INJURED OR HURT IN ANY WAY.
MICHAEL...

WELL, I GUESS FAUST WOULDN'T BE THE ONE TO GET TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF BY SOMEONE AS SIMPLE AS YOURSELF
HOO HOO
WHAT?!

MICHAEL, YOU LITTLE...
YOU'VE BEEN SUCH A JERK EVER SINCE THE FIRST DAY I MET YOU. .!!
BOIL
BUBBLE
BOIL

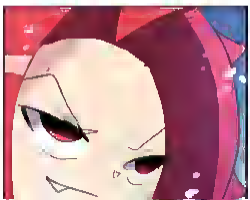
MEPHISTOPHELES
HOW DARE YOU SPEAK TO MICHAEL THAT WAY..!!
YOU PIECE OF SH#T!!!
SHRIEK
SHRIEK

SSH


NOW.
WHAT WILL YOU DO, MEPHISTO?

IF YOU'RE GOING TO KEEP CAUSING A DISTURBANCE HERE

SWIRL
I WILL RELUCTANTLY FIGHT WITH YOU
SWIRLLLL



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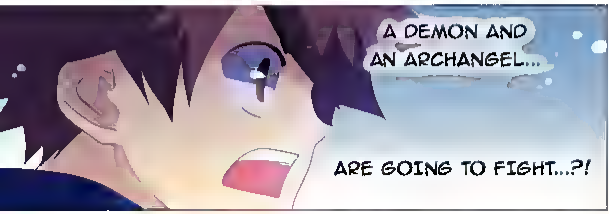
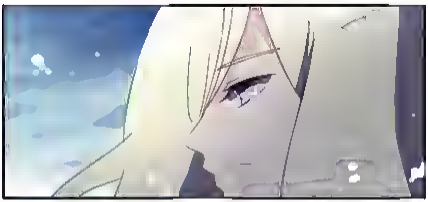
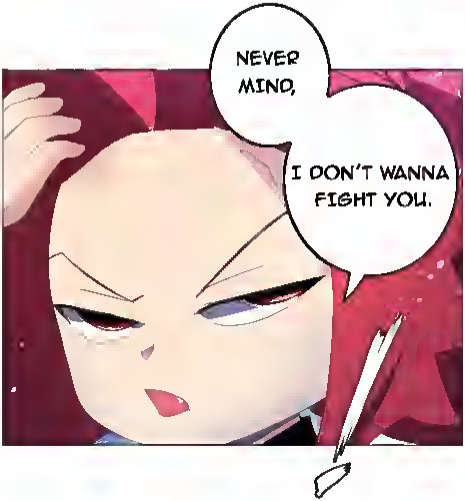

A DEMON AND
AN ARCHANGEL...
ARE GOING TO FIGHT...?!

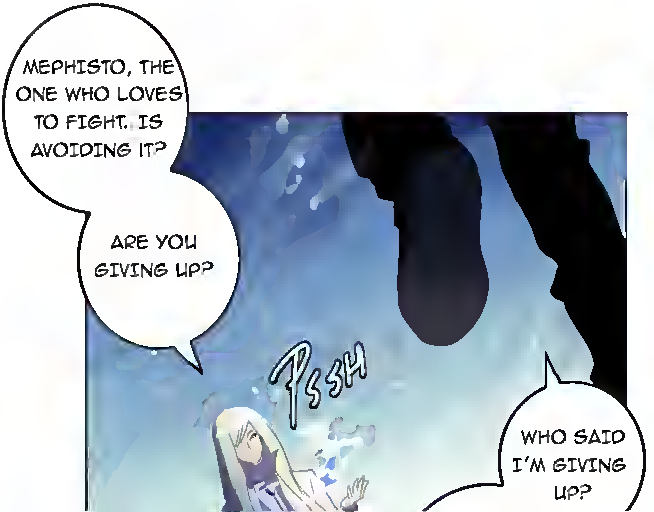
HERE?!
NOW...?!



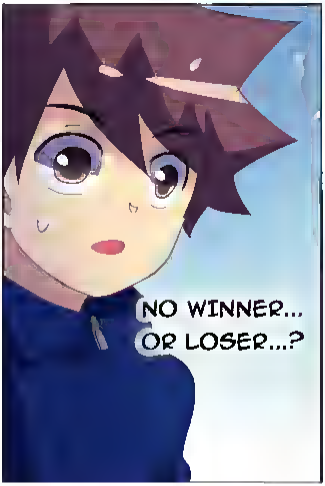
CRAP!
SCRATCH
SCRATCH

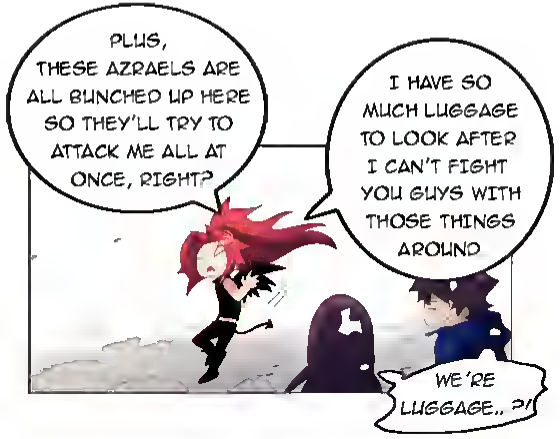

NEVER MIND,
I DON'T WANNA FIGHT YOU.

!!
HUH?
!!


MEPHISTO, THE ONE WHO LOVES TO FIGHT. IS AVOIDING IT?
ARE YOU GIVING UP?
PSSH
WHO SAID I'M GIVING UP?

I JUST DON'T WANT TO BORE MYSELF BY FIGHTING YOU.
NEITHER OF US WILL WIN OR LOSE.
IT'S NOT FUN UNLESS SOMEONE WINS.


NO WINNER...
OR LOSER...?


PLUS, THESE AZRAELS ARE ALL BUNCHED UP HERE SO THEY'LL TRY TO ATTACK ME ALL AT ONCE, RIGHT?
I HAVE SO MUCH LUGGAGE TO LOOK AFTER I CAN'T FIGHT YOU GUYS WITH THOSE THINGS AROUND
WE'RE LUGGAGE.. ?!

SO, I'M TELLING YOU
I DON'T LIKE THIS IDEA EITHER, BUT WHY DON'T WE GO OUTSIDE AND YOU AND I CAN GO A ROUND?!
HOO HOO

PRETENDING TO FIGHT ME BEFORE YOU RUN OFF? CAN'T LET YOU DO THAT.

DAMN YOU, MICHAEL.

HE SAW THROUGH MY PLAN...

Uh

WAS HE REALLY GOING TO RUN AWAY...?

LOOKS LIKE I HAVE NO CHOICE..
THEN A FULL FRONTAL ..

SWOOOSH

ACK!!
THUMP
GIVE IT UP, MEPHISTO.

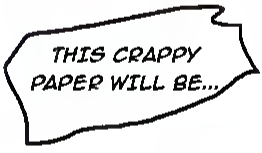
FAUST!! YOU BASTARD!!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING!!

ROAR!

WITH MICHAEL HERE, IT'S NOT GOING TO BE EASY TO GET AWAY.
IF YOU CAUSE A RIOT HERE, IT'LL ONLY MAKE MATTERS WORSE.

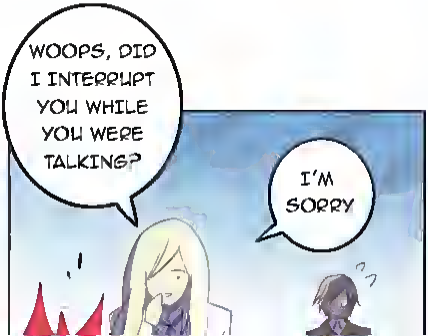
GOD'S PAPYRUS OR WHATEVER THIS PIECE OF PAPER IS...
YOU REALLY THINK THIS CAN HOLD ME..?

IF I REALLY WANTED TO...
SWOOOSH


THIS CRAPPY PAPER WILL BE...

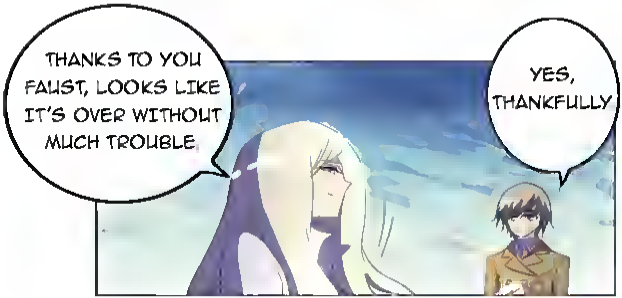
SWOOP

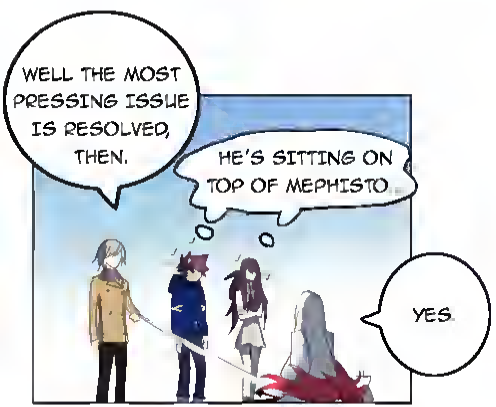
CRACK
ACKKKK!!

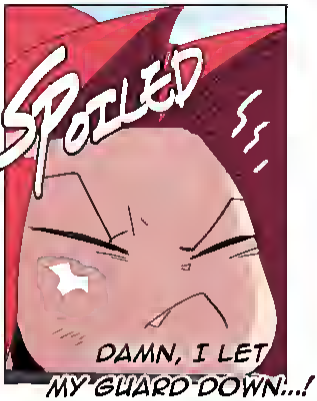

WOOPS, DID I INTERRUPT YOU WHILE YOU WERE TALKING?
I'M SORRY

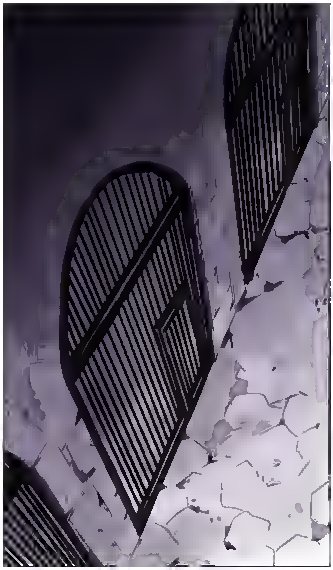
ARE YOU
KIDDING ME?!

MEPHISTO, IF YOU UNLEASH YOUR FULL POWER HERE, IT WOULD SWEEP EVERYONE INCLUDING THOSE HUMANS AWAY.
THAT WOULD BE A PROBLEM, DON'T YOU THINK?
PHT!


THANKS TO YOU FAUST, LOOKS LIKE IT'S OVER WITHOUT MUCH TROUBLE.
YES, THANKFULLY.


WELL THE MOST PRESSING ISSUE IS RESOLVED, THEN.
HE'S SITTING ON TOP OF MEPHISTO.
YES.


SPOILED
DAMN, I LET
MY GUARD DOWN...!

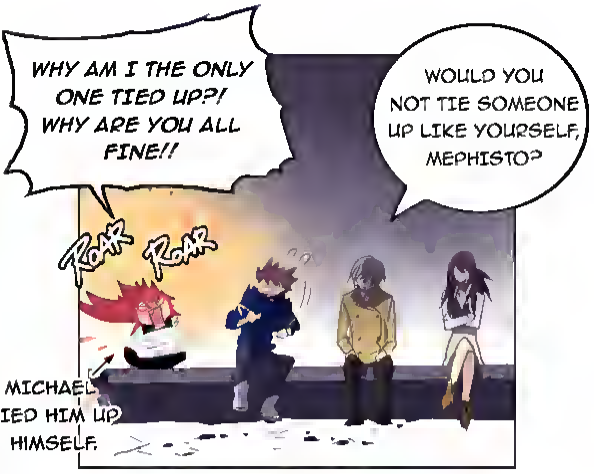


BUT WHY DO WE HAVE TO BE PUT IN JAIL ...?!
...

WE DID IT BECAUSE WE HAD NO CHOICE, BUT WE ARE THE ONES WHO SNUCK MEPHISTO INTO THE BASE...
IT SHOULD BE FINE AFTER WE EXPLAIN OURSELVES.

SO WHY DID YOU TIE ME UP?
I WAS GOING TO PRETEND THAT I WAS GOING TO FIGHT MICHAEL BEFORE RUNNING OFF ON MY OWN.

PAH
ON YOUR OWN?!


WHY AM I THE ONLY ONE TIED UP?! WHY ARE YOU ALL FINE!!
WOULD YOU NOT TIE SOMEONE UP LIKE YOURSELF, MEPHISTO?
ROAR
ROAR
MICHAEL TIED HIM UP HIMSELF.

THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT.

WHAT? HOW IS IT MY FAULT THAT YOU GUYS WERE TOO WEAK TO GET AWAY BY YOURSELVES?

YOU LITTLE DEMON BASTARD!! WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
SMACK

CLANK

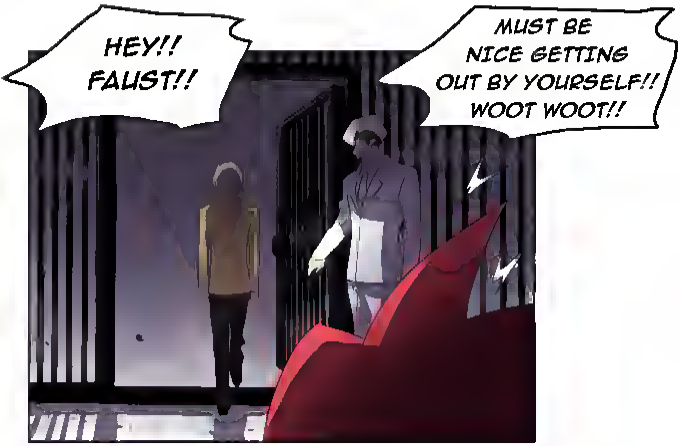
EVERYONE, QUIET!!

IF YOU KEEP BEING NOISY, I'M GOING TO LOCK YOU ALL UP INDIVIDUALLY!!

FAUST.
I MEAN, LUCIEN DIRE.

ONLY YOU MAY COME OUT!
CREAK

HUH?


HEY!! FAUST!!
MUST BE NICE GETTING OUT BY YOURSELF!! WOOT WOOT!!

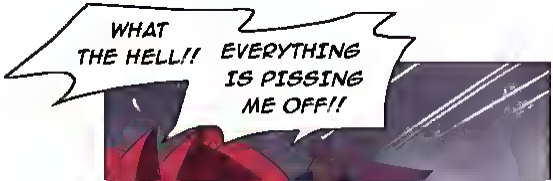
NOT
REALLY.

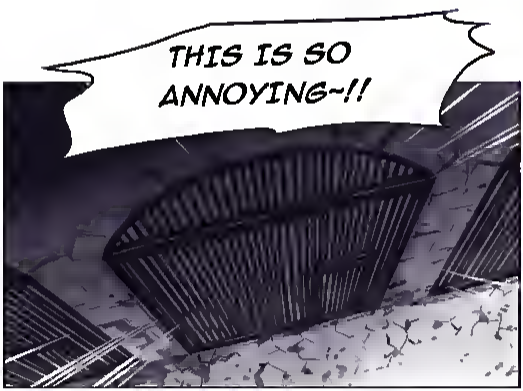
WHEN
I LEAVE
HERE...
IT
WILL BE ALL
TOGETHER

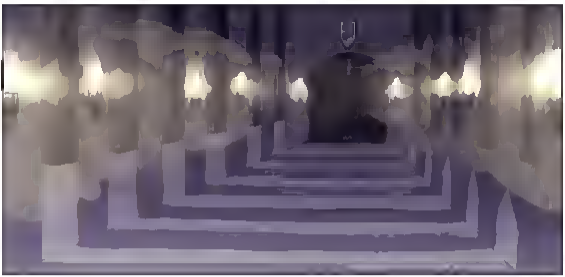
CLANK
...

SPOILED~

PSH! HOW IS HE GONNA DO THAT WHEN HE'S GETTING OUT ALONE...
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE


WHAT THE HELL!!
EVERYTHING IS PISSING ME OFF!!

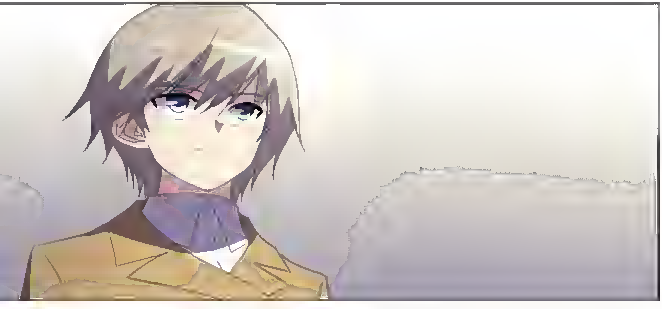

THIS IS SO ANNOYING~!!



I HAVE BROUGHT HIM AS YOU ORDERED.

THANK YOU.
THAT IS ALL.

PLEASE
EXCUSE
ME.
CREAK
YES,
THANK YOU.



MICHAEL...

IT'S BEEN A WHILE
FAUST.

SOUL CARTEL
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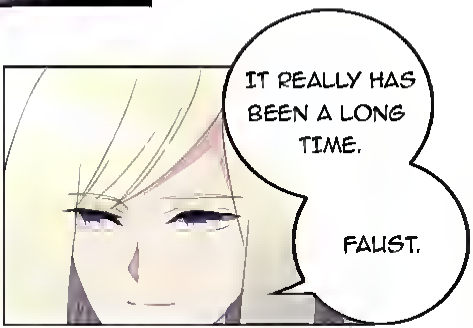
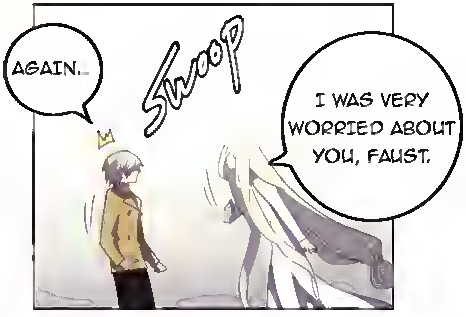
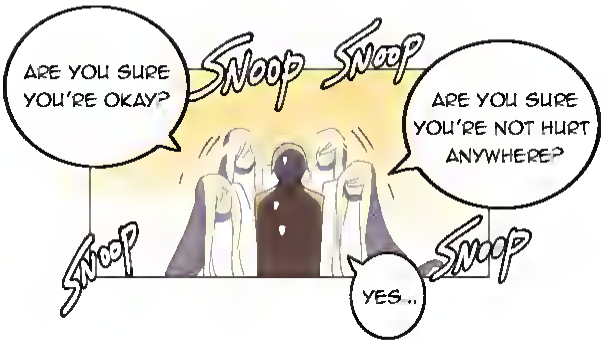
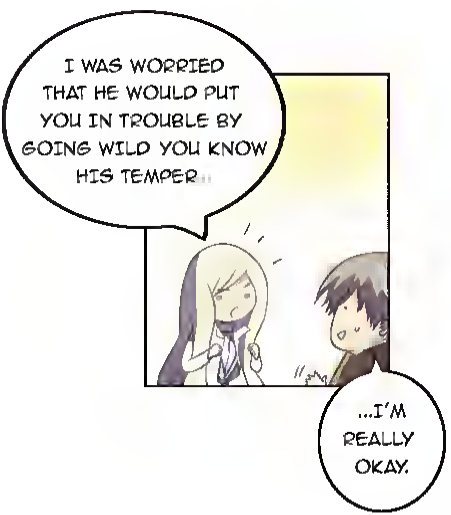

IT REALLY HAS BEEN A LONG TIME.
FAUST.

MICHAEL.
YES, IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU...

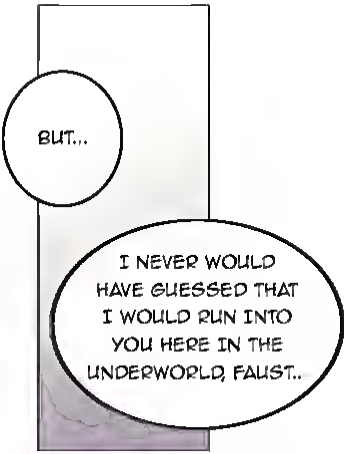

AGAIN..
Swoop
I WAS VERY WORRIED ABOUT YOU, FAUST.

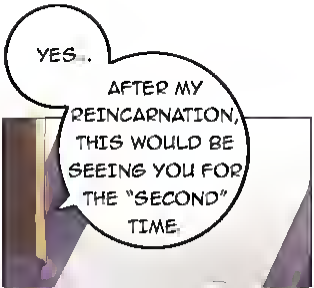
WHEN I HEARD THAT MEPHISTOPHELES TRAVELED TO THE HUMAN WORLD TO FIND YOU .
I WAS WORRIED THAT SOMETHING MIGHT HAPPEN TO YOU AT ANY MOMENT
I'M FINE, MICHAEL.


ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY?
SNOOP
SNOOP
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE NOT HURT ANYWHERE?
SNOOP
SNOOP
YES..


I WAS WORRIED THAT HE WOULD PUT YOU IN TROUBLE BY GOING WILD YOU KNOW HIS TEMPER...
...I'M REALLY OKAY.

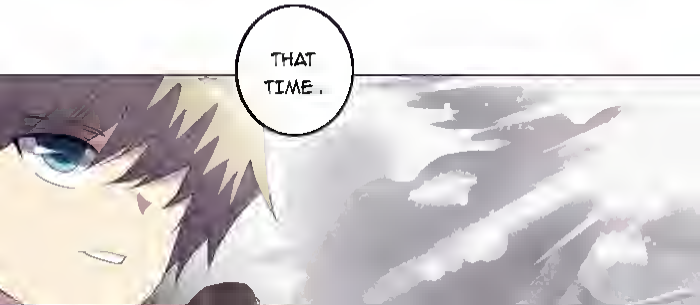
I'VE .
CAUSED YOU WORRY..
MICHAEL.


BUT...
I NEVER WOULD HAVE GUESSED THAT I WOULD RUN INTO YOU HERE IN THE UNDERWORLD, FAUST..


YES...
AFTER MY REINCARNATION, THIS WOULD BE SEEING YOU FOR THE "SECOND" TIME.

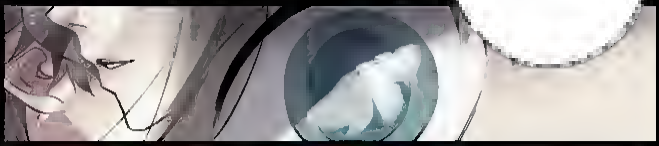
!

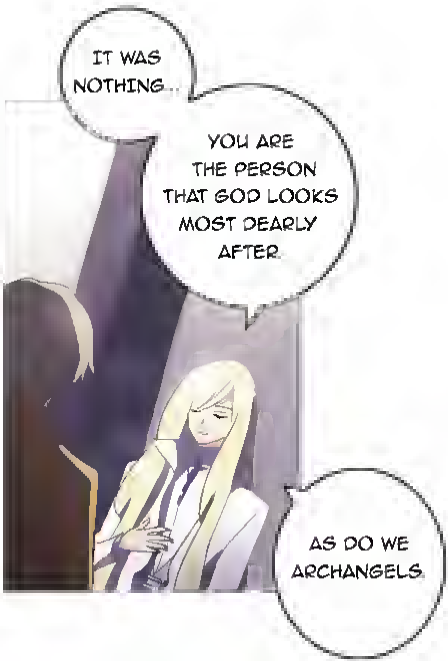
SO YOU'VE NOTICED
YES.


THAT TIME .

WHEN I REINCARNATED YOU GAVE ME GOD'S PAPYRUS AND ALSO GAVE ME BACK MY MEMORIES OF PAST LIFE

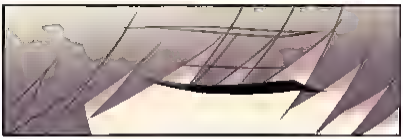
I AM VERY THANKFUL FOR WHAT YOU DID




IT WAS NOTHING...
YOU ARE THE PERSON THAT GOD LOOKS MOST DEARLY AFTER.
AS DO WE ARCHANGELS.

FAUST, DURING YOUR FIVE HUNDRED YEARS HERE, YOU READ EVERY BOOK THERE IS IN THE AZRAEL LIBRARY.
AND WITH ALL THE KNOWLEDGE YOU ACQUIRED FROM READING, YOU HELPED AND TAUGHT THE AZRAEL AND ANGELS A LOT.
AND THE REASON YOU CAN USE A GODLY WEAPON IS BECAUSE OF YOUR WILL AND EFFORT PUT FORTH
YOU ARE SOMEONE WHO IS WORTHY OF RECEIVING GOD'S BLESSING

FAUST.



MY SOUL NOT BEING TAKEN AWAY BY MEPHISTO....
AND BEFORE REINCARNATING, BEING ABLE TO STAY IN HEAVEN IN MY HUMAN BODY
I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE DONE ALL OF THIS FOR ME
I GRACIOUSLY THANK YOU FOR THIS UNDESERVED PRAISE
MOREOVER, MICHAEL, YOU MUST BE VERY BUSY WITH YOUR DUTIES AS A COMMANDER OF THE AZRAELS AND ANGELS
BUT AT THE

SAME TIME, YOU'RE WATCHING OVER ME WITH CARE.

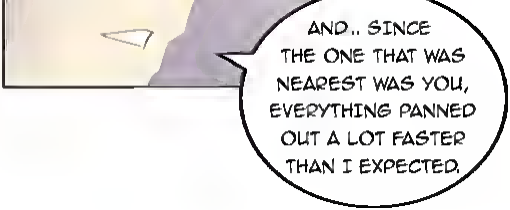
I AM FOREVER THANKFUL FOR THAT.
MICHAEL...

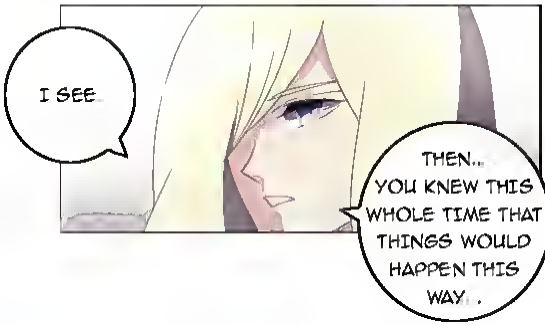
BUT..
EARLIER, YOU DIDN'T SEEM TO BE SURPRISED TO SEE ME.
OH, NO
I REALLY HAD NO IDEA THAT YOU WOULD BE COMING

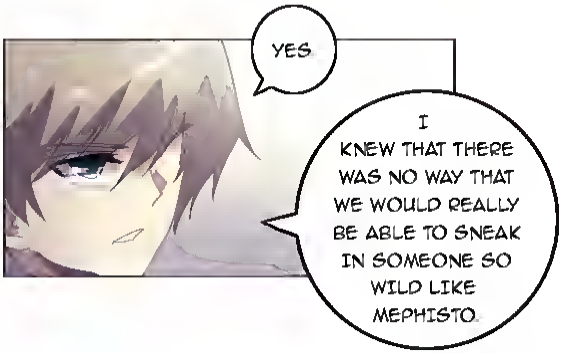
I JUST,
KNEW THAT AT LEAST ONE ARCHANGEL WOULD APPEAR

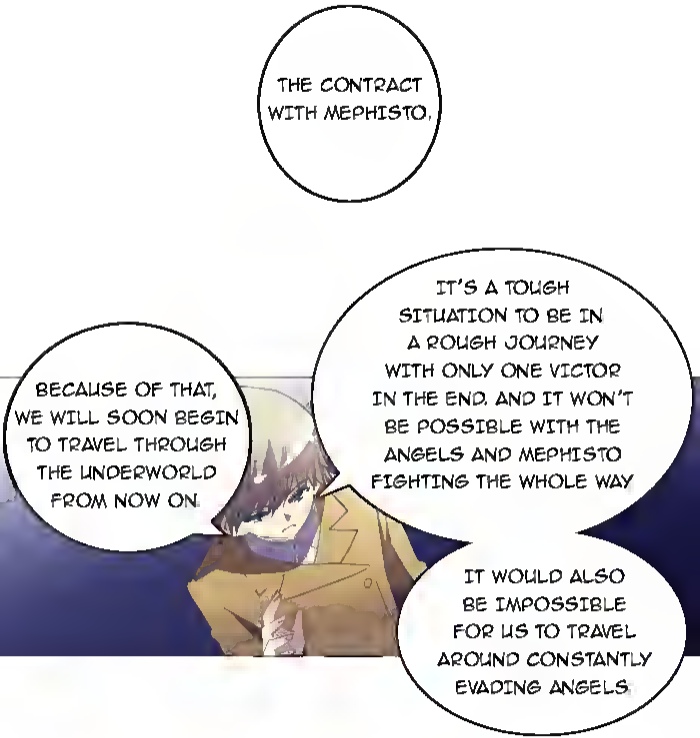
AFTER MEPHISTO DESTROYED THE BASE AND TRAVELED TO THE HUMAN WORLD, THE SECURITY AT THE BORDERS SHOULD HAVE BECOME MORE INTENSIFIED.

AND THERE'S A WARP CALLED THE "PILLAR OF LIGHT" AT EVERY AZRAEL BASE WHICH ALLOWS YOU TO TRAVEL FROM ONE BASE TO THE NEXT
DURING TIMES OF INTENSIFIED BORDER PROTECTION, THE "PILLAR OF LIGHT" WILL BE IN FULL OPERATION, SO AN ARCHANGEL AT ANY BASE COULD COME IMMEDIATELY
SO, NO MATTER WHICH BASE MEPHISTO CAUSES TROUBLE AT, AN ARCHANGEL WOULD APPEAR IN ANY MINUTE
ONLY AN ARCHANGEL CAN DEAL WITH MEPHISTO. SO, I WAS WAITING FOR THE TIME


AND.. SINCE THE ONE THAT WAS NEAREST WAS YOU, EVERYTHING PANNED OUT A LOT FASTER THAN I EXPECTED.


I SEE.
THEN.. YOU KNEW THIS WHOLE TIME THAT THINGS WOULD HAPPEN THIS WAY...


YES.
I KNEW THAT THERE WAS NO WAY THAT WE WOULD REALLY BE ABLE TO SNEAK IN SOMEONE SO WILD LIKE MEPHISTO.


THE CONTRACT WITH MEPHISTO.
IT'S A TOUGH SITUATION TO BE IN A ROUGH JOURNEY WITH ONLY ONE VICTOR IN THE END. AND IT WON'T BE POSSIBLE WITH THE ANGELS AND MEPHISTO FIGHTING THE WHOLE WAY
BECAUSE OF THAT, WE WILL SOON BEGIN TO TRAVEL THROUGH THE UNDERWORLD FROM NOW ON.
IT WOULD ALSO BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO TRAVEL AROUND CONSTANTLY EVADING ANGELS.

THAT IS WHY I NEED THE HELP OF AZRAELS AND ANGELS TO COME OUT ON TOP

I WISH TO TIE UP THE LOOSE ENDS FROM BEFORE.

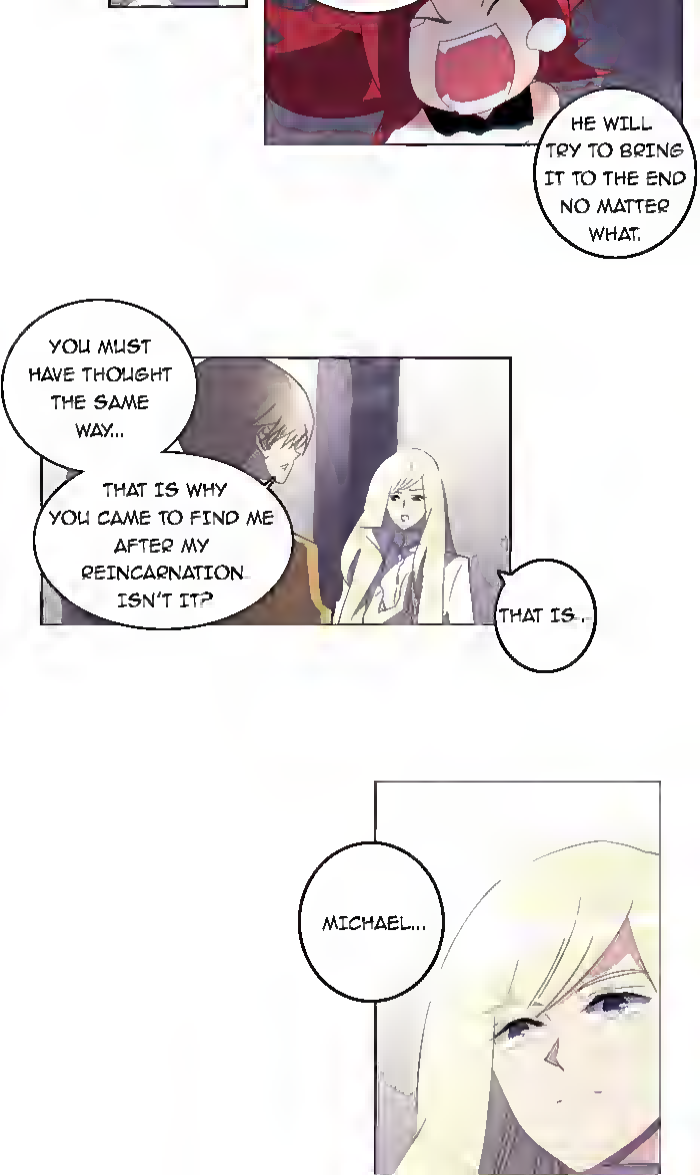
IN ORDER FOR US TO CONTINUE ON OUR JOURNEY.

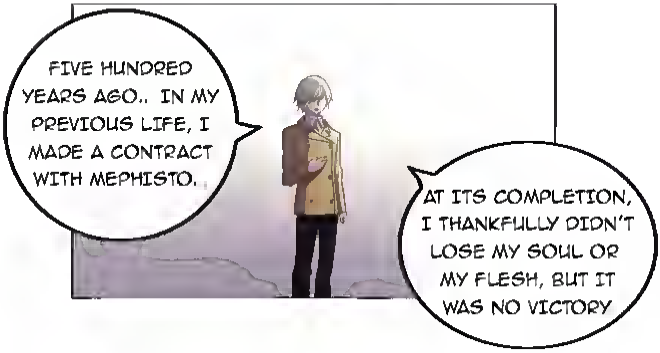
PLEASE PUT YOUR ISSUE WITH MEPHISTO ON HOLD.

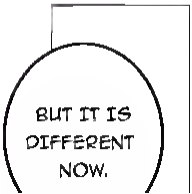
BECAUSE OF THAT DEMON..
YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH ALL OF THIS..
SIGH
PLEASE DO NOT WORRY ANYMORE.
THE INCIDENT WITH MEPHISTO WILL OF COURSE BE REPORTED BUT I'M SURE I CAN GET THEM TO UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION
WHEN THE TRIAL IS OVER, WE WILL BREAK YOUR CONTRACT AND SEND YOU AND THE HUMANS BACK TO HUMAN WORLD.
MICHAEL, THERE'S NO WAY THAT MEPHISTO WOULD TAKE THAT LAYING DOWN

THAT DEMON WILL DEFINITELY COME FIND ME AGAIN.

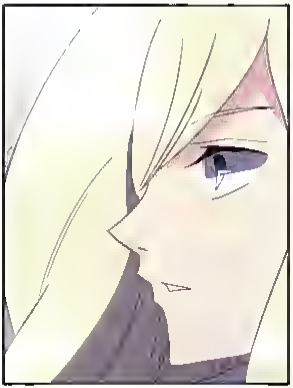
HE WAITED FIVE HUNDRED YEARS FOR ME TO REINCARNATE.

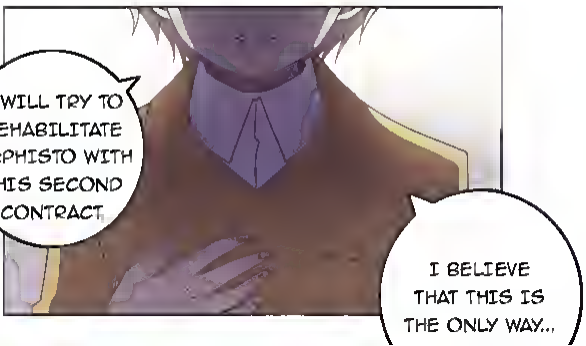

HE WILL TRY TO BRING IT TO THE END NO MATTER WHAT.
YOU MUST HAVE THOUGHT THE SAME WAY..
THAT IS WHY YOU CAME TO FIND ME AFTER MY REINCARNATION ISN'T IT?
THAT IS..
MICHAEL...


FIVE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.. IN MY PREVIOUS LIFE, I MADE A CONTRACT WITH MEPHISTO.
AT ITS COMPLETION, I THANKFULLY DIDN'T LOSE MY SOUL OR MY FLESH, BUT IT WAS NO VICTORY

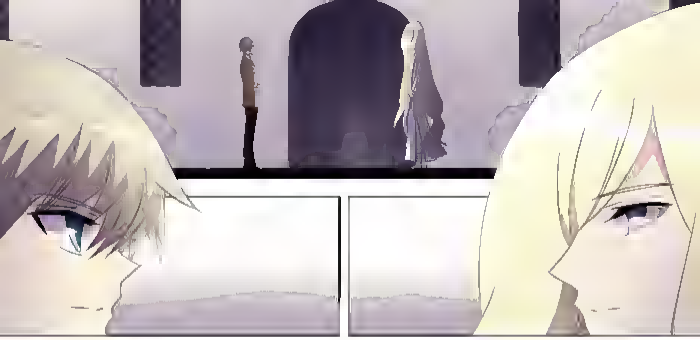

BUT IT IS DIFFERENT NOW.

THIS TIME,
I HAVE...
MY FRIENDS
BY MY SIDE.




I WILL TRY TO REHABILITATE MEPHISTO WITH THIS SECOND CONTRACT.
I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE ONLY WAY...

THAT I CAN WIN MEPHISTO.



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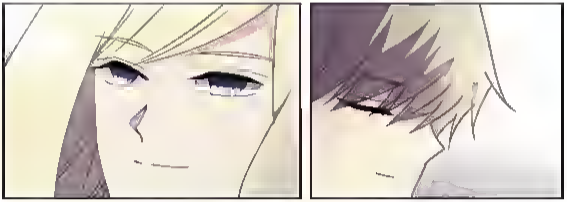
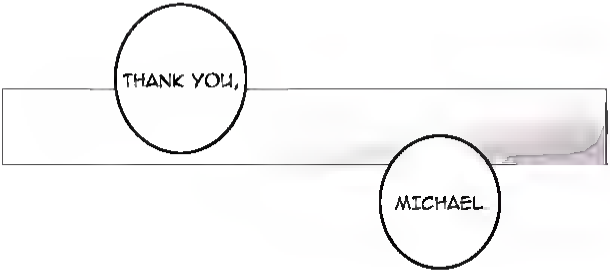
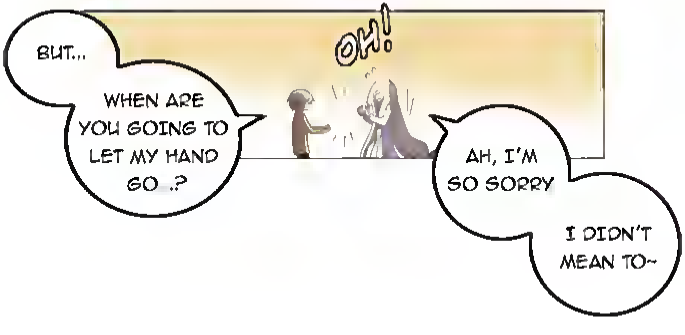
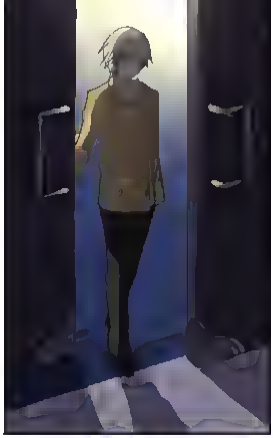
I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU MEAN.
IF THAT IS THE DECISION YOU HAVE MADE, THEN I WILL DO WHAT I CAN TO ASSIST YOU




THANK YOU,
MICHAEL


BUT...
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO LET MY HAND GO ..?
OH!
AH, I'M SO SORRY
I DIDN'T MEAN TO~

Great



TAP

FAUST.

STUMP
STUMP
KAROB.

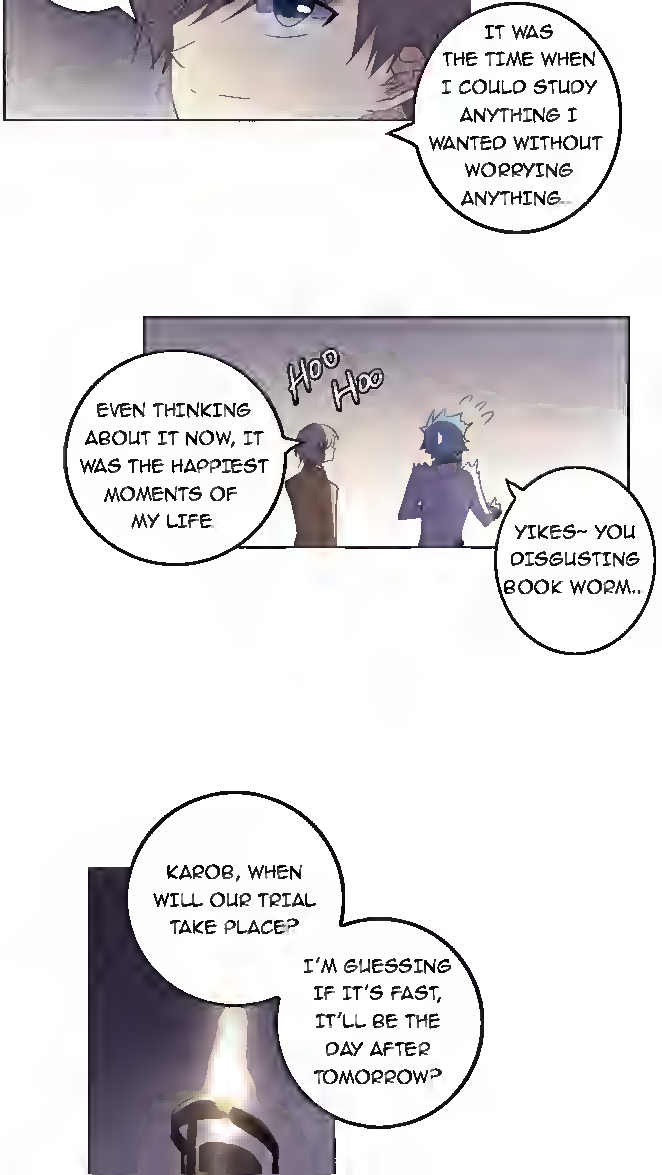
YOU ENTERED INTO ANOTHER CONTRACT WITH MEPHISTO?
YEAH. .

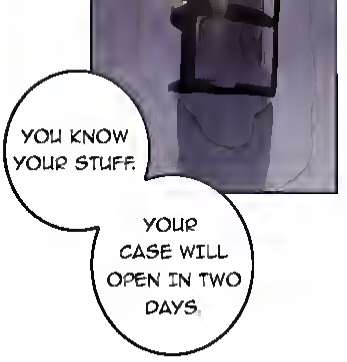
I HEARD THE RUMOR, BUT MAN~
YOU'RE ONE CRAZY SON OF A GUN.
YOU'D BE THE ONLY PERSON IN THE WORLD WHO WOULD ENTER INTO A SUCH CONTRACT WITH A DEMON TWICE.

I HAD NO OTHER OPTION
YEA, I THOUGHT SO...
THAT'S THE WAY YOU ARE, FAUST

BY THE WAY, DO YOU STILL READ BOOKS A LOT?
DURING YOUR FIVE HUNDRED YEARS HERE, YOU READ ALL THE BOOKS IN THE AZRAEL LIBRARY.
I USED TO.

HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY, SCIENCE, MEDICINE

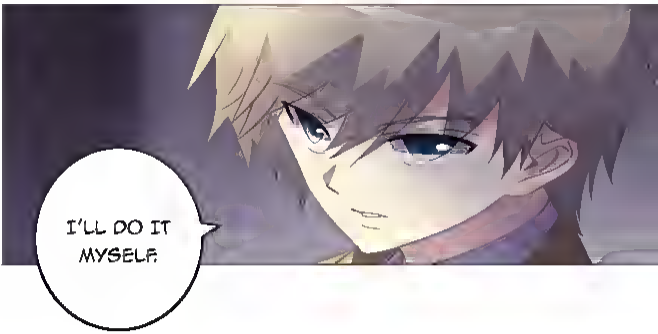

IT WAS THE TIME WHEN I COULD STUDY ANYTHING I WANTED WITHOUT WORRYING ANYTHING...
Hoo Hoo
EVEN THINKING ABOUT IT NOW, IT WAS THE HAPPIEST MOMENTS OF MY LIFE
YIKES~ YOU DISGUSTING BOOK WORM..
KAROB, WHEN WILL OUR TRIAL TAKE PLACE?
I'M GUESSING IF IT'S FAST, IT'LL BE THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW?


YOU KNOW YOUR STUFF.
YOUR CASE WILL OPEN IN TWO DAYS.

THAT TRIAL WILL DECIDE EVERYTHING.
YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO EXPLAIN YOUR SITUATION WITH MEPHISTOPHELES VERY CLEARLY.

WHO'S THE PROSECUTOR?
STUMP
STUMP
PROSECUTOR FILER
FILER?
YOU DON'T KNOW HIM?
HE'S A LITTLE WEASEL WHO WILL TURN EVEN THE SMALLEST OF CRIMES INTO A FELONY
YOU SHOULD BE CAREFUL WITH HIM
..OKAY

WHO WOULD YOU WANT AS YOUR LAWYER?
SHOULD I GET YOU SOMEONE WHO'S GOT SOME SKILLS?
THANKS, BUT NO THANKS.


I'LL DO IT MYSELF.

OH WELL, THAT'S NOT SURPRISING...
HEY, KAROB.
WHY IS AN OFFICER FOR SPECIAL CASES LIKE YOURSELF HANGING AROUND MICHAEL?

OH, THAT THERE'S AN ISSUE AT HAND.
THESE DAYS THERE ARE SOME BASTARDS WHO ARE KILLING AZRAEL AND HUNTING HUMAN SOULS.
SOUL HUNTERS ...?
YEAH.
BUT THESE GUYS AREN'T YOUR RUN OF THE MILL GUYS
AN AVERAGE AZRAEL CAN'T BE A MATCH.
THEY'RE PRETTY STRONG AND SMART ENOUGH TO NOT GET CAUGHT.

WE DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW MANY OF THEM ARE THERE YET.
MEPHISTO ISN'T THE ONLY REASON THAT MICHAEL IS HERE.
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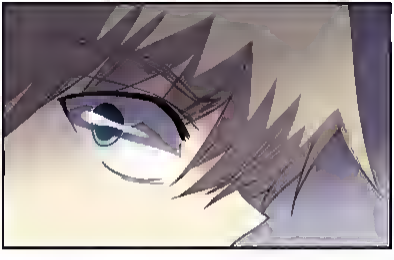
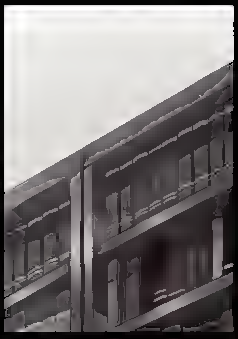
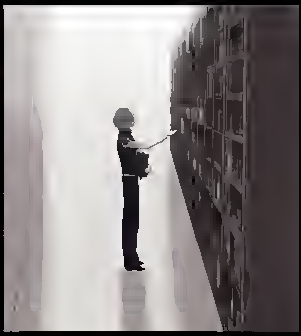
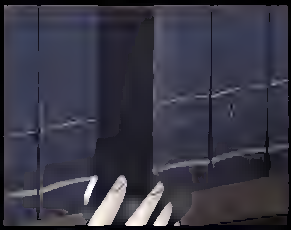
WE LOST A COUPLE TODAY, AS WELL.
YAGO AND BANWOO

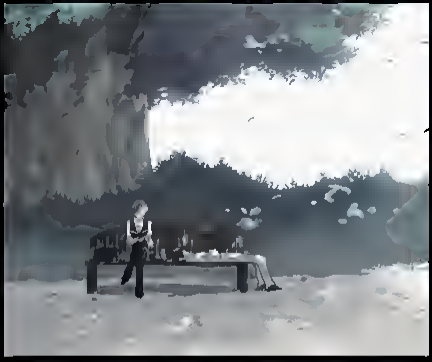


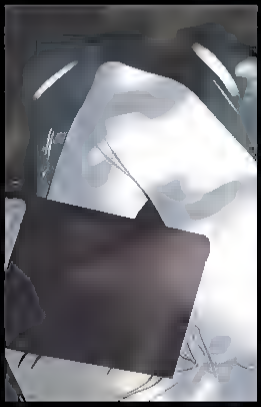
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!
WE LOST YAGO AND BANWOO?!
BUT I JUST MET THEM THIS AFTERNOON...
YEAH...
THEY GOT THEM WHILE THEY WERE LEADING THE SOULS
IT WAS A FATAL BLOW.
AND THEY TOOK ALL THE SOULS..
WAIT. YOU WERE CLOSE TO YAGO, RIGHT..?
I OFTEN SAW YOU TWO IN THE LIBRARY TOGETHER.

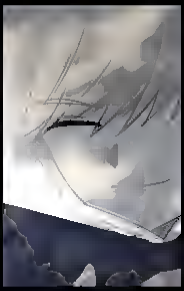




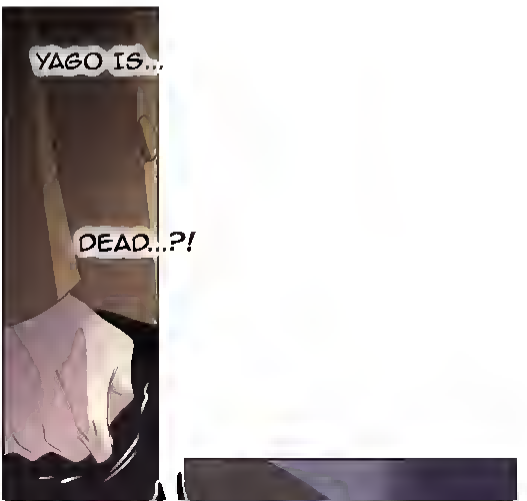








I HOPE TO SEE YOU AGAIN AT THE AZRAEL BASE LATER!
IF WE DO, DINNER'S ON ME!
SURE, I'LL LOOK FORWARD TO IT


YAGO IS...
DEAD...?!

WHAT
THE HELL
HAPPENED...?!

SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

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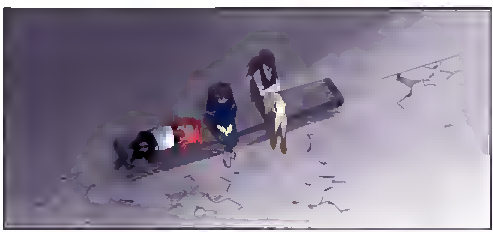
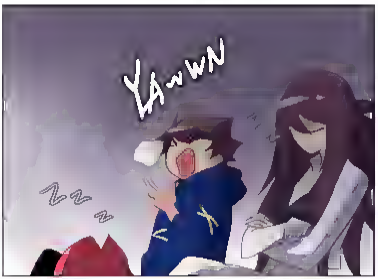
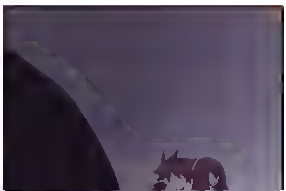
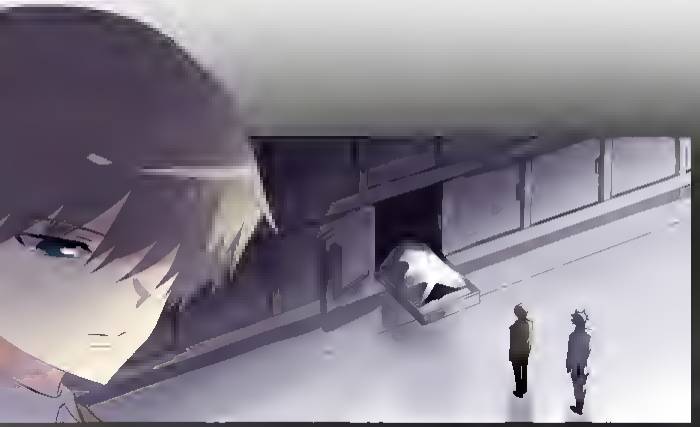


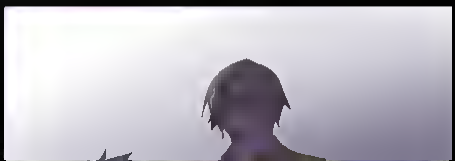

YAwwN
Zzz

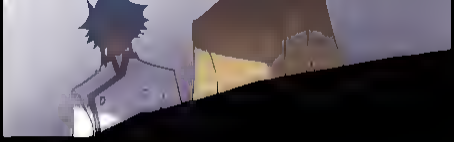
WHEW

EVER SINCE FAUST CAME BACK...
HE'S BEEN SO QUIET...









HUMAN BEINGS ARE...
THE COMBINATION OF
SOUL AND FLESH...

THAT IS WHY
REINCARNATION IS
POSSIBLE...

ON THE OTHER HAND,
ANGELS, DEMONS, AND AZRAELS...
THEIR SOUL AND FLESH
ARE UNITED....

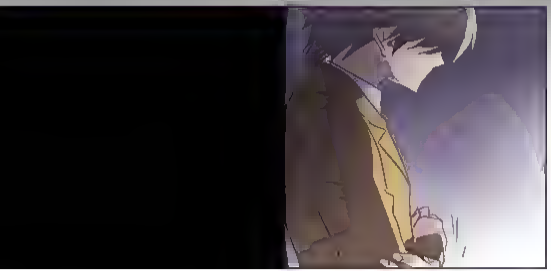
REINCARNATION BECOMES
IMPOSSIBLE... BUT
THEY LIVE ETERNALLY...

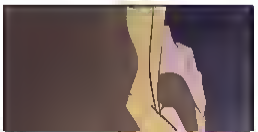
BUT...
IF BY CHANCE,
THEY WERE TO GET
CRITICAL ATTACK
FROM THE OUTSIDE,
THEY MAY DIE JUST
LIKE HUMANS...

OF A BEING WITH
BODY AND FLESH
UNITED IN ONE...

THEIR "SECOND"
DEATH...

IT MEANS
THE EVERLASTING
"SILENCE"...





CLENCH

SOUL CARTEL

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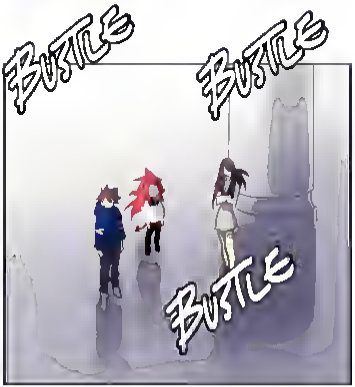
BUSTLE
BUSTLE

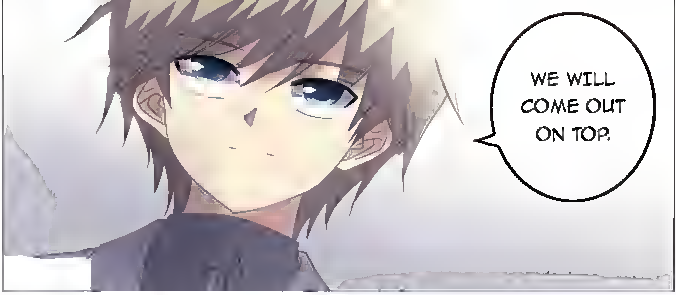

BUSTLE
BUSTLE
BUSTLE

GOD~ THIS IS BORING
WHERE DID FAUST GO ...?
Yawn~
HMM
SORRY YOU'VE BEEN WAITING?

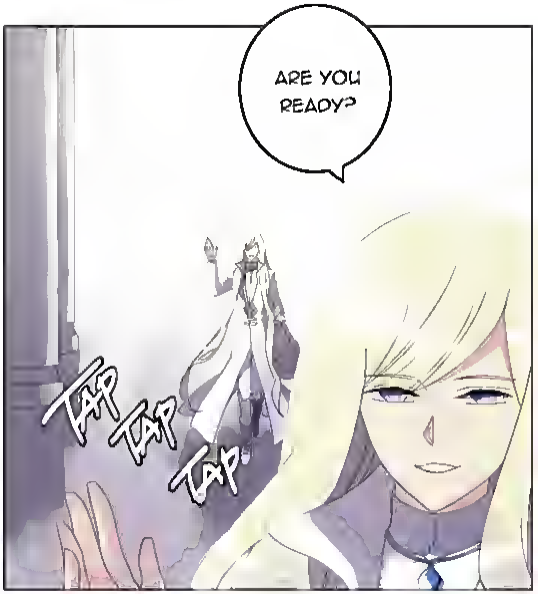
LOOKS LIKE I'M A LITTLE LATE.
STOMP
STOMP
WOW~ FAUST
THOSE ARE THE OUTFITS OF AZRAELS

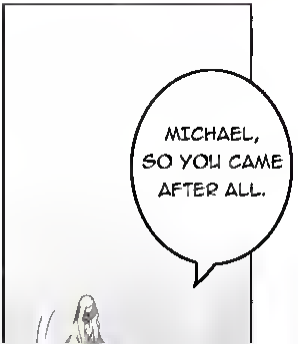
YES, SINCE I'M THE ONE WHO WILL BE DEFENDING OURSELVES, I DRESSED UP FORMALLY.

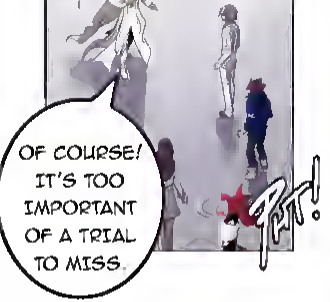
THE TRIAL... SHOULD COME OUT OKAY, RIGHT?
DON'T WORRY I HAVE PREPARED FOR EVERYTHING

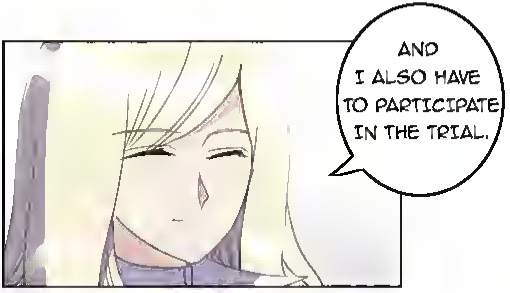

WE WILL COME OUT ON TOP.

EVERYONE~


ARE YOU READY?
TAP TAP TAP


MICHAEL, SO YOU CAME AFTER ALL.


OF COURSE! IT'S TOO IMPORTANT OF A TRIAL TO MISS.
PAT!


AND I ALSO HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TRIAL.

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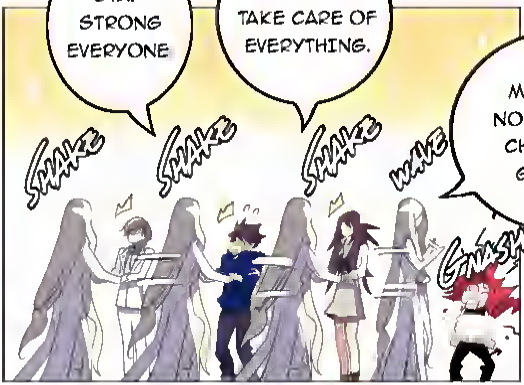

STAY STRONG EVERYONE
FAUST WILL TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING.
MEPHISTO, NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO GROW UP.
SWAKE
SWAKE
SWAKE
WAKE
GNASH

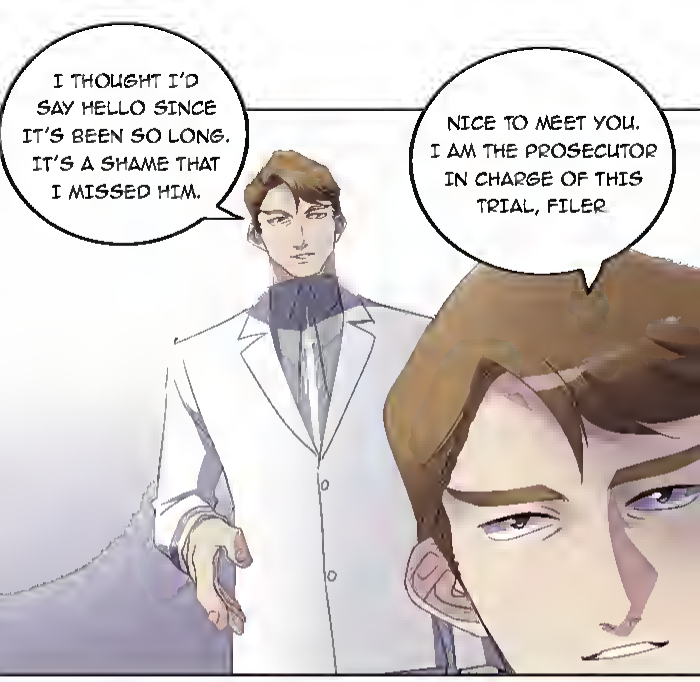
THEN, I MUST LEAVE TO TAKE CARE OF SOME BUSINESS. SEE YOU LATER.
BYE BYE

HE JUST BLEW THROUGH HERE LIKE A TORNADO.
I HELD THE HAND OF AN ARCHANGEL...
DAMN IT! MICHAEL YOU BASTARD!!

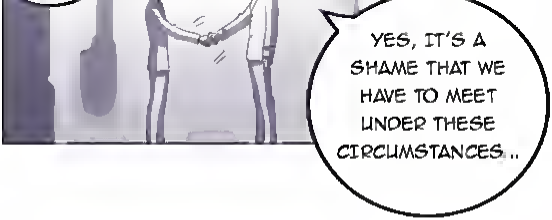
MEPHISTO,
DURING THE TRIAL, YOU MUST STAY QUIET AND JUST LISTEN TO MY DEFENSE
PHT!

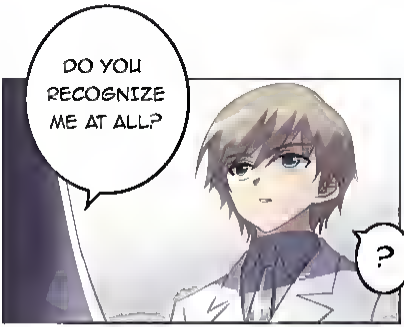
IT'S NOT REALLY MY STYLE, BUT THIS IS LIKE FIGHTING TOO, RIGHT?
SURE, I'LL WATCH.

STUMP
STUMP
OH, LOOKS LIKE MICHAEL IS TOO BUSY


I THOUGHT I'D SAY HELLO SINCE IT'S BEEN SO LONG. IT'S A SHAME THAT I MISSED HIM.
NICE TO MEET YOU. I AM THE PROSECUTOR IN CHARGE OF THIS TRIAL, FILER.

AH, YES. NICE TO MEET YOU.


YES, IT'S A SHAME THAT WE HAVE TO MEET UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES...


DO YOU RECOGNIZE ME AT ALL?
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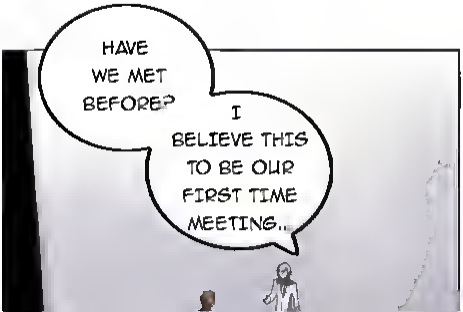
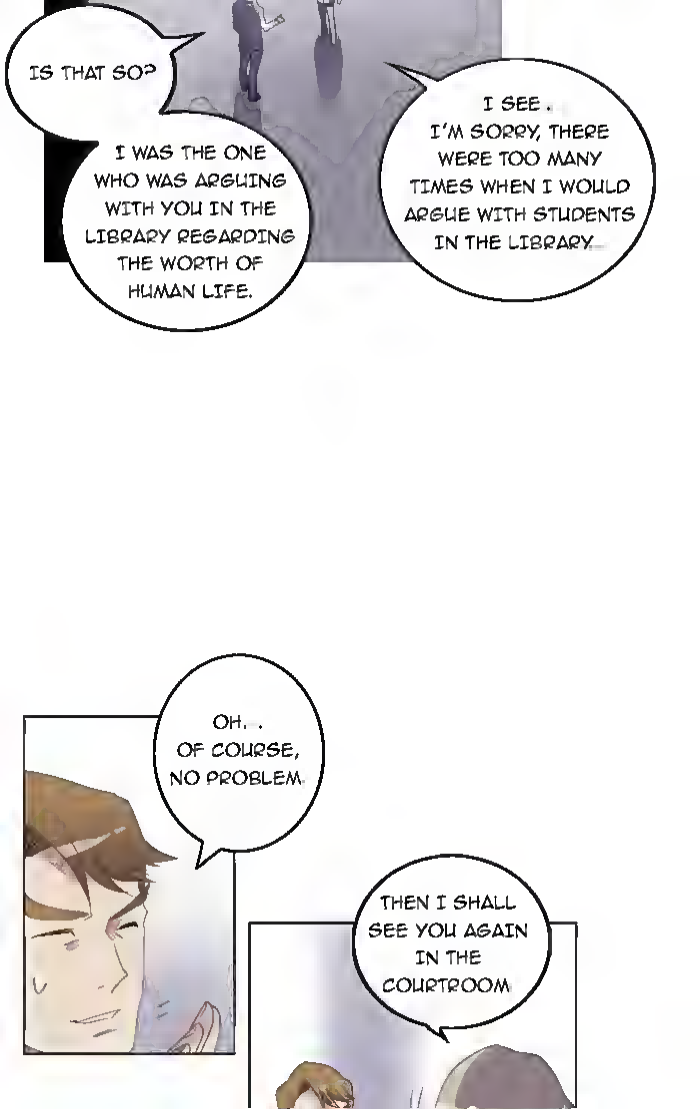
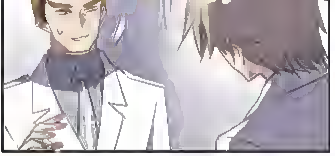
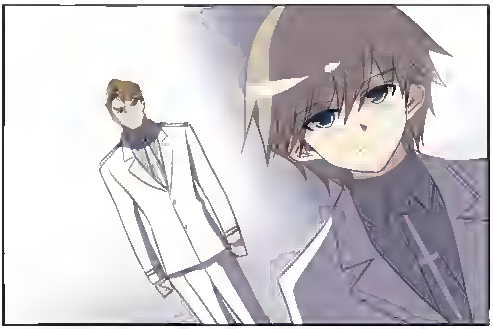
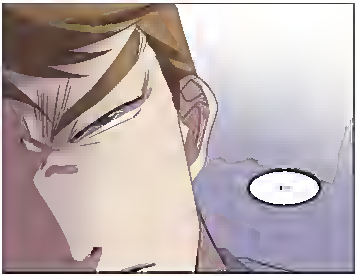
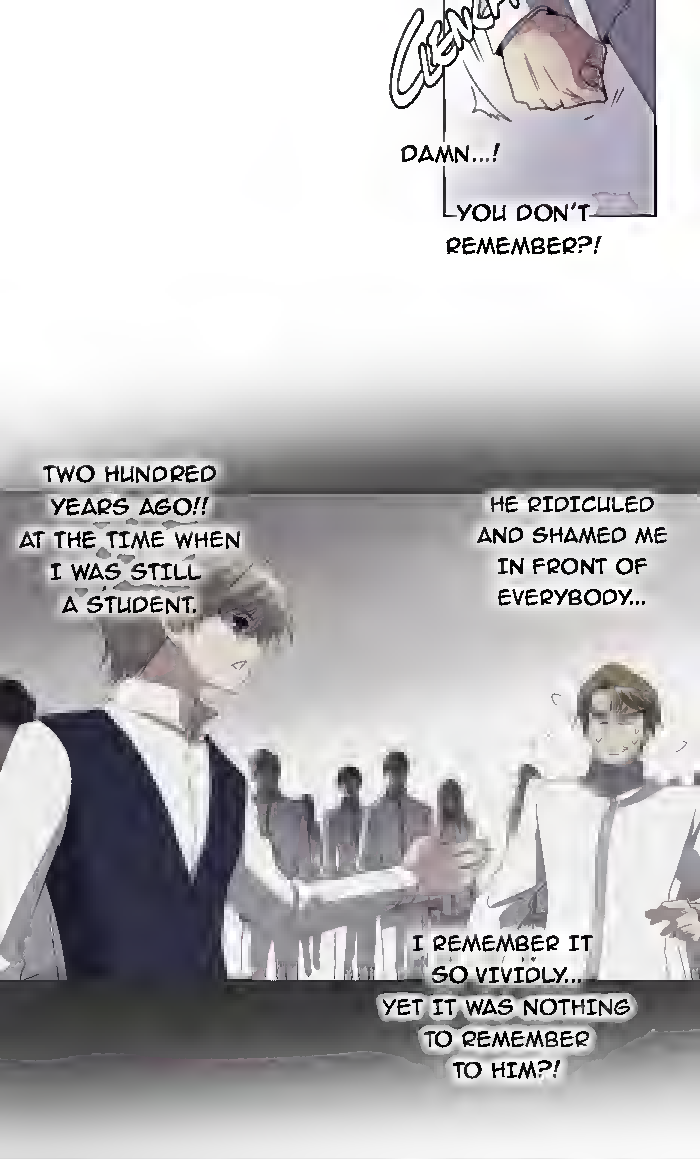

HAVE WE MET BEFORE?
I BELIEVE THIS TO BE OUR FIRST TIME MEETING..

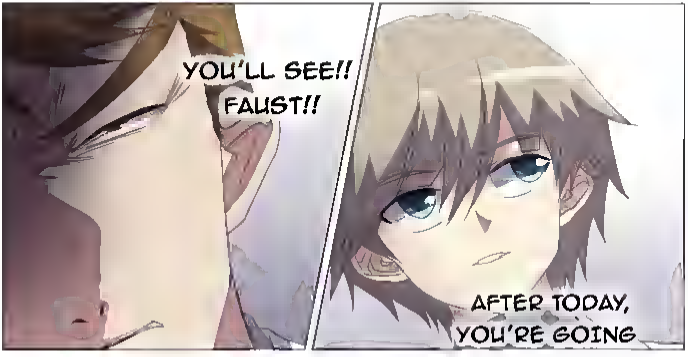

IS THAT SO?
I WAS THE ONE WHO WAS ARGUING WITH YOU IN THE LIBRARY REGARDING THE WORTH OF HUMAN LIFE.
I SEE.
I'M SORRY, THERE WERE TOO MANY TIMES WHEN I WOULD ARGUE WITH STUDENTS IN THE LIBRARY...
OH. .
OF COURSE, NO PROBLEM.
THEN I SHALL SEE YOU AGAIN IN THE COURTROOM





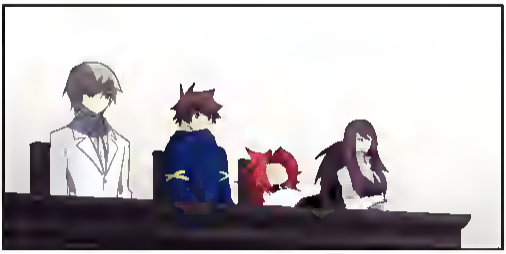


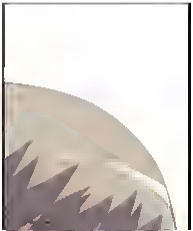

DAMN...!
YOU DON'T REMEMBER?!
TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO!! AT THE TIME WHEN I WAS STILL A STUDENT.
HE RIDICULED AND SHAMED ME IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY...
I REMEMBER IT SO VIVIDLY...
YET IT WAS NOTHING TO REMEMBER TO HIM?!


YOU'LL SEE!!
FAUST!!
AFTER TODAY,
YOU'RE GOING
TO REMEMBER
EXACTLY
WHO I AM!!

COURTROOM
THREE

BUSTLE
BUSTLE
BUSTLE
BUSTLE

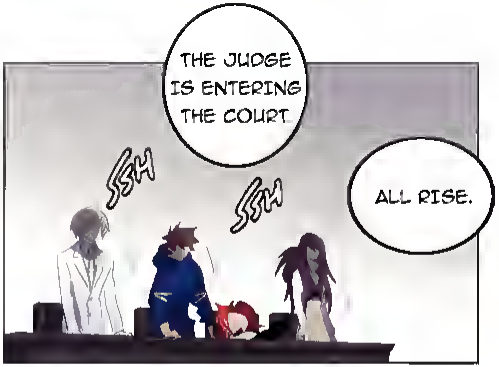




YEA. I KNOW ALL THE AZRAEL LAWS.

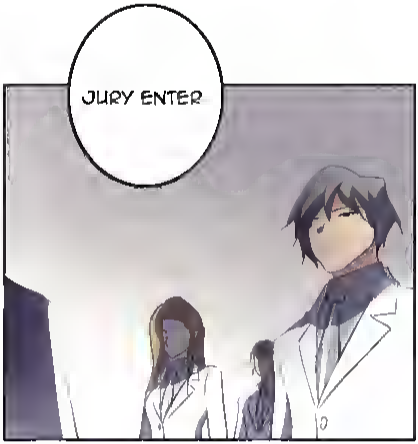
AND I'VE ACTUALLY DONE THIS A FEW TIMES AS A FAVOR.

OH REALLY? THEN LET'S SEE JUST HOW GOOD YOU REALLY ARE.


THE JUDGE IS ENTERING THE COURT.
SSH
SSH
ALL RISE.

GLANCE

YAWN~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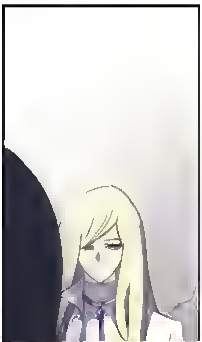
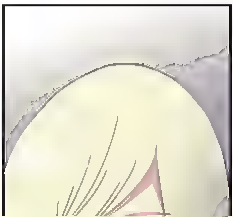
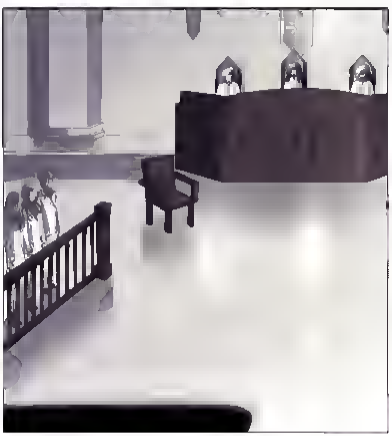
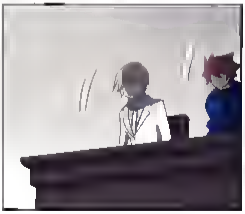
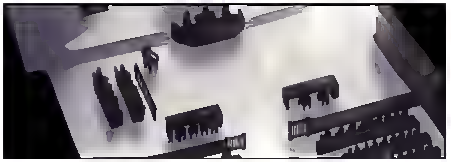




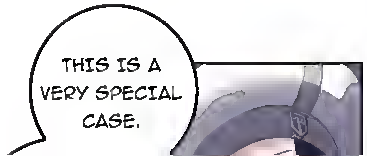


EVERYBODY
BE SEATED

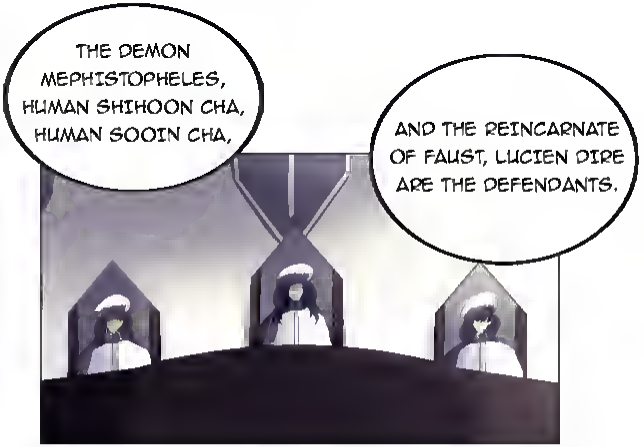




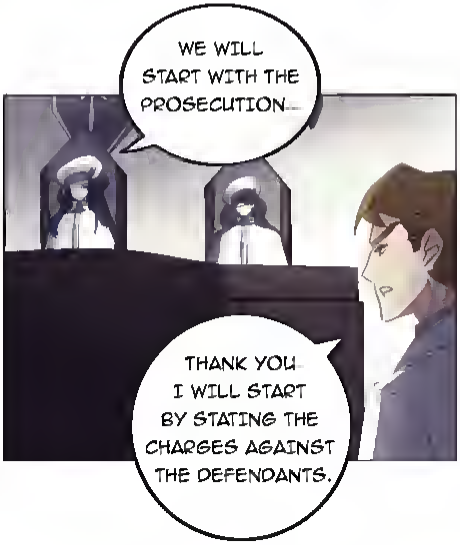
HMM
FLAP


THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL CASE.

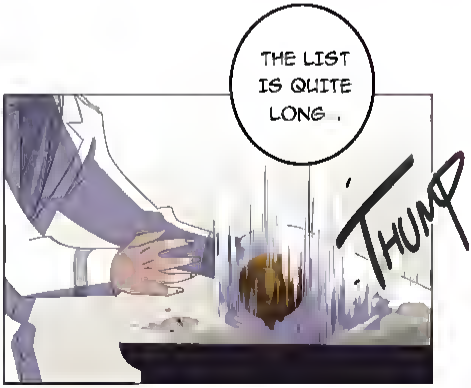
A VERY HIGH PROFILE CASE WITH MANY PEOPLE INTERESTED


THE DEMON MEPHISTOPHELES, HUMAN SHIHOON CHA, HUMAN SOOIN CHA,
AND THE REINCARNATE OF FAUST, LUCIEN DIRE ARE THE DEFENDANTS.

THE TRIAL WILL BEGIN NOW
BANG
BANG
BANG


WE WILL START WITH THE PROSECUTION.
THANK YOU. I WILL START BY STATING THE CHARGES AGAINST THE DEFENDANTS.

FIRST, MEPHISTOPHELES.


THE LIST IS QUITE LONG .
THUMP

SWOOSH

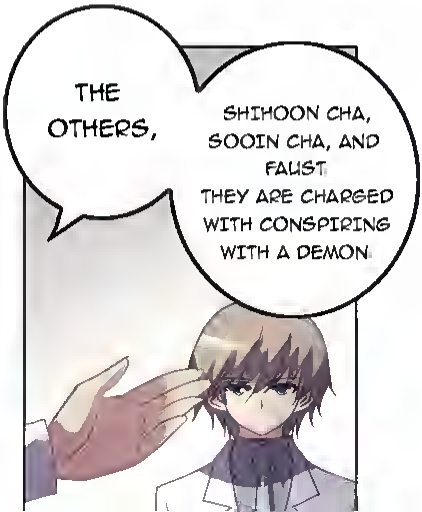
SPREAD

BAM

ROLL~
OH MY! I CAN'T EVEN SEE THE END!!

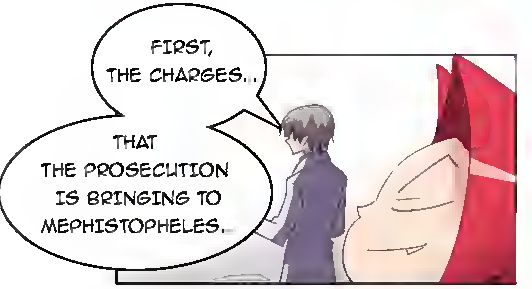
THIS IS A LIST OF CRIMES BEING CHARGED TO MEPHISTOPHELES.
ASSAULT ON AZRAEL. FAILURE TO COMPLY. SACRILEGE. LARCENY. ROBBERY. THREATENING. DEFAMATION. UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY INTO THE HUMAN WORLD.....
GIGGLE
WHAT THE HELL HAVE YOU BEEN DOING?
THIS IS THE STANDARD FOR A DEMON.

THAT IS ENOUGH.
IT WOULD TAKE A COUPLE OF DAYS TO READ EVERYTHING.
YES, YOUR HONOR.

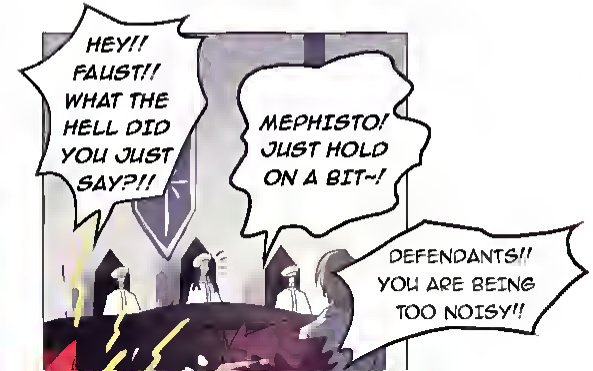

THE OTHERS,
SHIHOON CHA, SOOIN CHA, AND FAUST. THEY ARE CHARGED WITH CONSPIRING WITH A DEMON.

THEY AIDED MEPHISTOPHELES WITH HIS GETAWAY FROM THE HUMAN WORLD.
HELPING OR ASSISTING A DEMON IS IN VIOLATION OF ARTICLE ONE SECTION FOUR OF THE PENAL CODE.
ALSO, ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF GOD IS IN VIOLATION OF ARTICLE TWO SECTION TWO.

THE DEFENSE MAY NOW SPEAK.
SSH
THANK YOU.

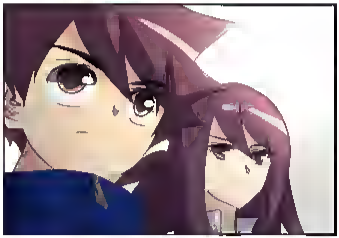

FIRST, THE CHARGES...
THAT THE PROSECUTION IS BRINGING TO MEPHISTOPHELES...

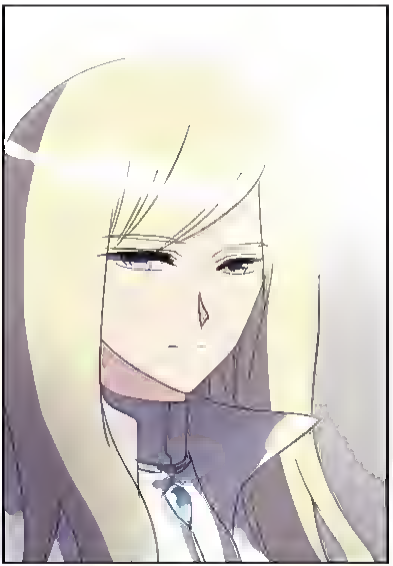
WE ADMIT TO THEM ALL.
PFT!


HEY!! FAUST!! WHAT THE HELL DID YOU JUST SAY?!!
MEPHISTO! JUST HOLD ON A BIT~!
DEFENDANTS!! YOU ARE BEING TOO NOISY!!

THE COUNSEL MAY CONTINUE.
HOWEVER, THE REST OF THE DEFENDANTS, SHIHOON CHA, SOOIN CHA, AND MYSELF—
REGARDING THE CHARGES BROUGHT UPON US BY THE PROSECUTION—

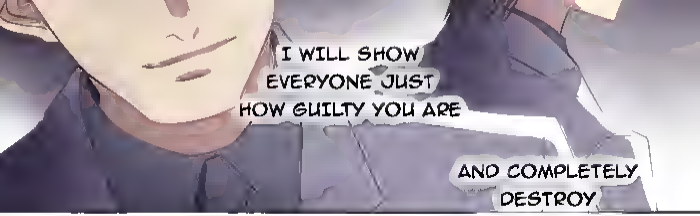
WE ARE INNOCENT.





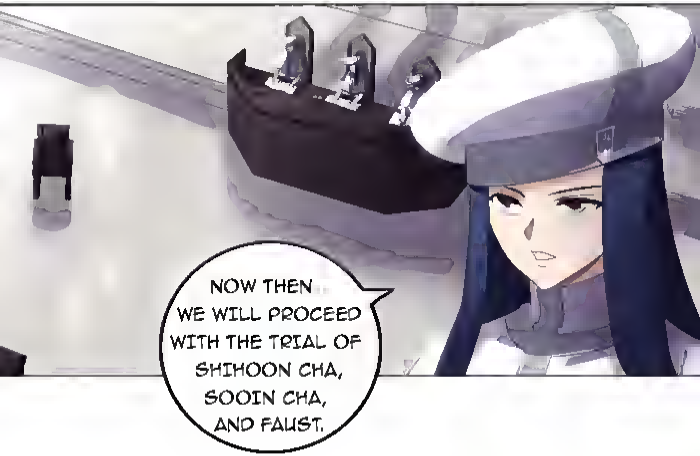
YES...
THIS IS WHAT I WAS HOPING FOR...

FAUST...

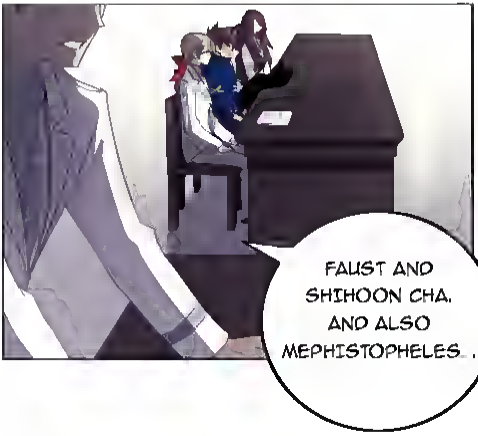

I WILL SHOW EVERYONE JUST HOW GUILTY YOU ARE
AND COMPLETELY DESTROY THAT PRIDE OF YOURS....

SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

LINE Webtoon


NOW THEN WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE TRIAL OF SHIHOON CHA, SOOIN CHA, AND FAUST.

PROSECUTOR, YOU MAY PROCEED
YES, YOUR HONOR. I'LL SUMMON A WITNESS.


FAUST AND SHIHOON CHA. AND ALSO MEPHISTOPHELES.

HERE'S A PERSON WHO WITNESSED THEIR AGREEMENT TAKING PLACE.

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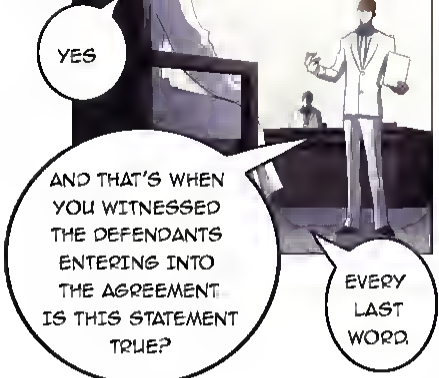
SSH

..I SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

I REQUEST THE WITNESS TO CAREFULLY ANSWER A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS THAT I HAVE.
SIGH
FIRST OFF, COULD YOU PLEASE TELL US WHICH SECTOR YOU ARE APART OF?
I AM OF THE SEARCH TEAM, BASE SEVEN.
OH, SO YOU'RE A PART OF THE STRONGHOLD THAT MEPHISTOPHELES DESTROYED
YES, THAT IS CORRECT.
AFTER MEPHISTOPHELES DESTROYED BASE SEVEN AND WENT TO THE HUMAN WORLD,
YOU WENT DOWN TO THE HUMAN WORLD AS A MEMBER OF SEARCH TEAM AM I CORRECT?


YES
AND THAT'S WHEN YOU WITNESSED THE DEFENDANTS ENTERING INTO THE AGREEMENT. IS THIS STATEMENT TRUE?
EVERY LAST WORD.

PLEASE TELL US WHAT YOU WITNESSED IN YOUR OWN WORDS.
WE WERE GIVEN THE ORDERS TO SEARCH THE AREA. DURING THE SEARCH, MY PARTNER AND I DISCOVERED A STRANGE RAY OF LIGHT.

IT WAS THE LIGHT OF AGREEMENT
IN THAT RAY WERE THREE PEOPLE

I'M GUESSING THE THREE PEOPLE WERE FAUST, SHIHOON CHA, AND MEPHISTOPHELES?

YES, THAT IS CORRECT.

WHAT DID YOU DO WHEN YOU DISCOVERED THEM?

MY PARTNER AND I IMMEDIATELY WENT ONTO THAT ROOFTOP.

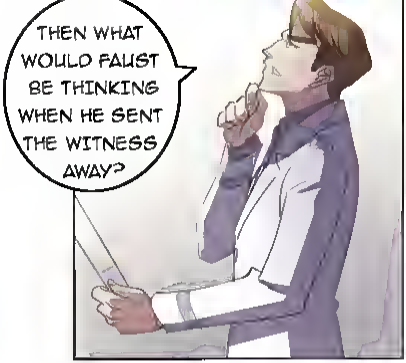
AS SOON AS WE CONFIRMED THAT IT WAS MEPHISTOPHELES,

WE INSTANTLY WENT INTO A FIGHTING STANCE

BUT YOU DIDN'T FIGHT.
WHY IS THAT?
FAUST TOLD US NOT TO FIGHT AND TO MOVE AWAY.
HE SAID TO BRING REINFORCEMENTS AND THAT HE WOULD HOLD OFF MEPHISTO UNTIL THEN.
I SEE...

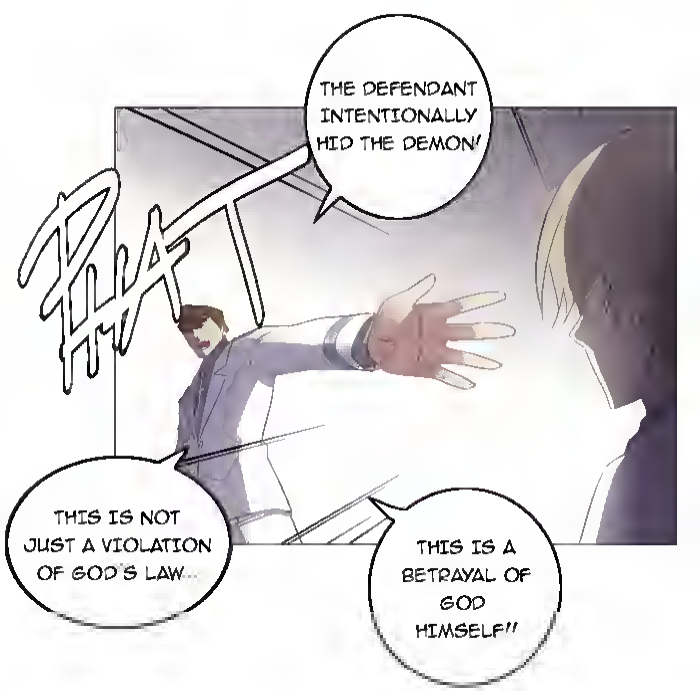
IT SAYS HERE THAT IT TOOK TEN MINUTES FOR THE REINFORCEMENTS TO ARRIVE
AT THAT TIME, WERE THE DEFENDANTS ON THE ROOFTOP?
NO.
THERE WAS NO ONE ON THAT ROOFTOP.

NO ONE WAS ON THE ROOFTOP..


THEN WHAT WOULD FAUST BE THINKING WHEN HE SENT THE WITNESS AWAY?

I MAY GUESS THE REASON WHY HE DID SO.

PERHAPS THE DEFENDANTS WERE ALREADY ON THE DEMON'S SIDE.


THE DEFENDANT INTENTIONALLY HID THE DEMON!
PHAT
THIS IS NOT JUST A VIOLATION OF GOD'S LAW...
THIS IS A BETRAYAL OF GOD HIMSELF!!

CHATTER
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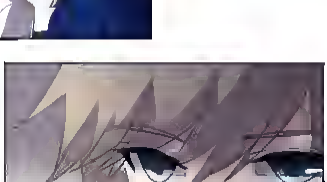
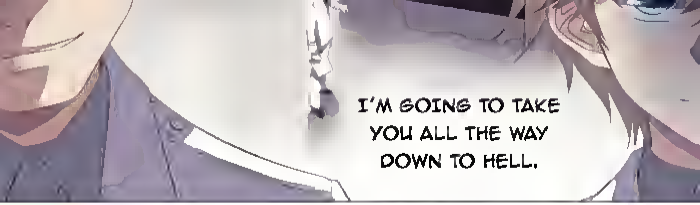
SNIKER

F..FAUST..



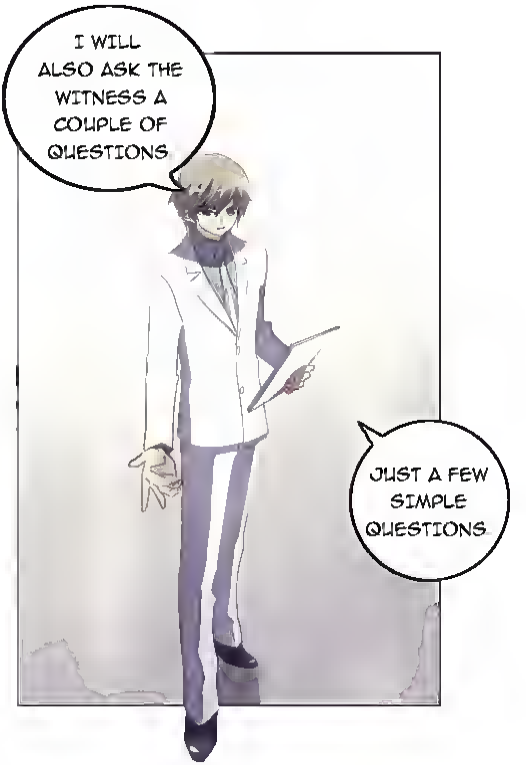
PHT!
FAUST, THE ONE WHO IS BLESSED BY GOD?!

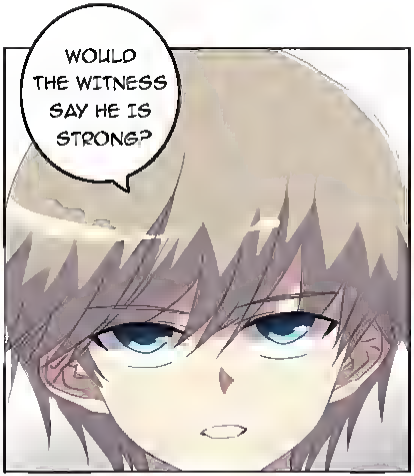

I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU ALL THE WAY DOWN TO HELL.

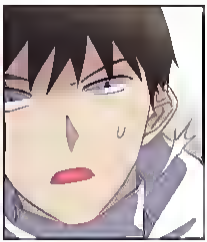
BUSTLE
BUSTLE
BUSTLE

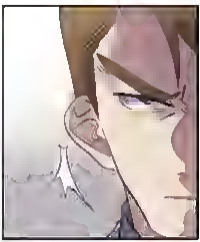
SILENCE IN THE COURTROOM!
COUNSEL. YOU MAY PROCEED.

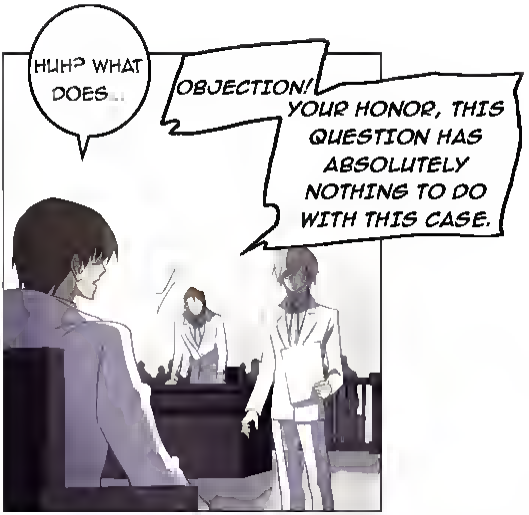
SSH
YES, YOUR HONOR

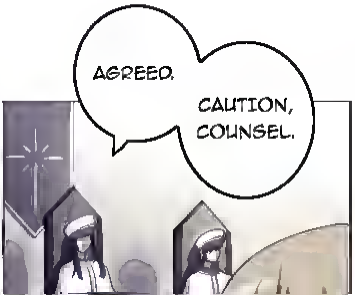

I WILL ALSO ASK THE WITNESS A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS
JUST A FEW SIMPLE QUESTIONS

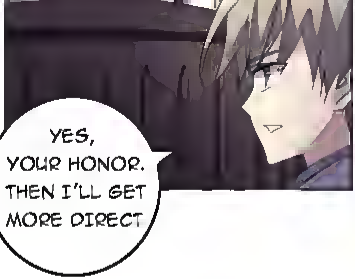

WOULD THE WITNESS SAY HE IS STRONG?

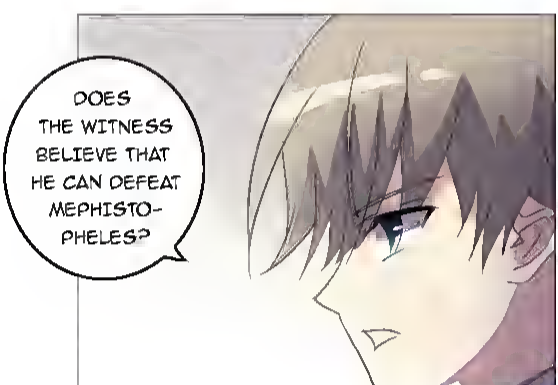


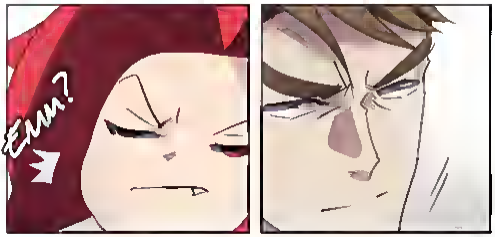


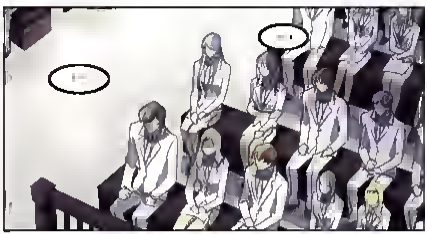

HUH? WHAT DOES...
OBJECTION! YOUR HONOR, THIS QUESTION HAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS CASE.


AGREED.
CAUTION, COUNSEL.


YES, YOUR HONOR. THEN I'LL GET MORE DIRECT

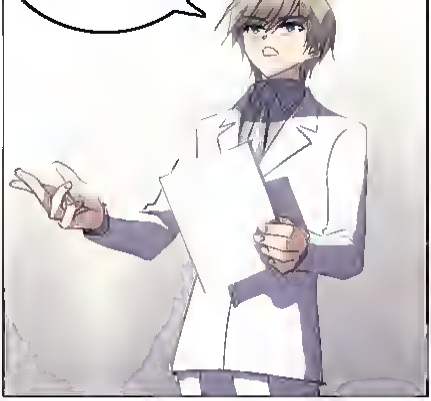

DOES THE WITNESS BELIEVE THAT HE CAN DEFEAT MEPHISTO-PHELES?


Emm?

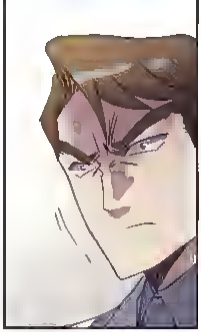


WHO THE HELL THINKS THAT LITTLE PIECE OF SH*T OVER THERE CAN DEFEAT ME?! HUH?!! WHO?!?!
SHRIEK
DEFENDANT, SILENCE!!
HI...~
BANG BANG BANG

OF..OF COURSE I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO WIN.
THE WITNESS DOES NOT HAVE TO ANSWER TO QUESTIONS UNRELATED TO THE CASE.
THEN I HAVE ONE LAST QUESTION.
IF YOU WERE TO HAVE IGNORED MY WARNINGS AND TRIED TO FIGHT MEPHISTO..



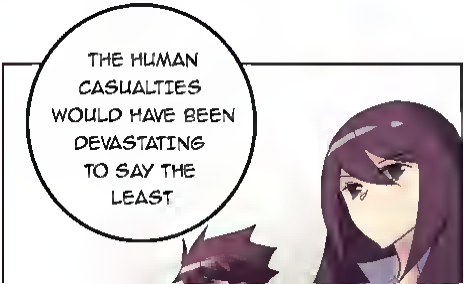
WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED?



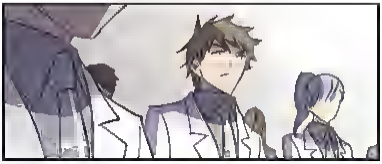
IF IT'S TOO HARD TO ANSWER, THEN I SHALL ANSWER FOR YOU.
IN MY HAND IS A REPORT MADE BY A SPECIAL TASK FORCE THAT REGARDS THE POWER OF MEPHISTO.
THERE IS ALSO A PART ABOUT THE STRENGTH OF MEPHISTO.
IF YOU GLANCE THROUGH THE PAGES, YOU'LL SEE A PART THAT SAYS NO ONE HAS EVER OVERPOWERED MEPHISTO.

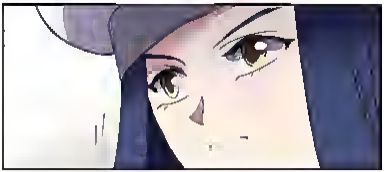
ADDITIONALLY, THEY PROJECT THAT MEPHISTO HAS THE POWER TO COMPLETELY DESTROY THE HUMAN WORLD ON HIS OWN.

IF BY CHANCE YOU HAD FOUGHT MEPHISTOPHELES ON THAT FATEFUL DAY,
YOU OF COURSE WOULD HAVE DIED, AND THE HUMAN WORLD WOULD HAVE ALSO BEEN IN PERIL.
HMH!



I WOULD LIKE TO ASK...
SPREAD
IF THERE IS ANYONE HERE WHO THINKS THAT HE COULD DEFEAT MEPHISTO?





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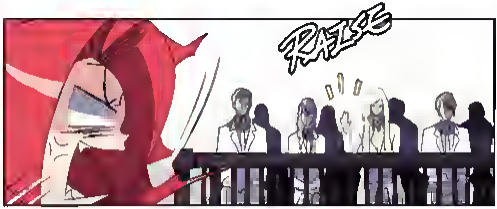

RAISE

HEY! MICHAEL! WHEN THE HELL DID YOU EVER DEFEAT ME!!
YOU WANNA GO RIGHT NOW?!!
GROWL-
WE'LL SEE.
HERE
BANG BANG BANG BANG
DEFENDANT! JUROR! QUIET DOWN IMMEDIATELY!!

HAH!!
DO ANGELS HAVE NOTHING BETTER TO DO THEN TO KEEP RECORDS LIKE THAT?
FLOP

LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE AZRAEL RULE BOOK AS WELL.

THIS IS WHAT IT SAYS ON THE FRONT.

AN AZRAEL'S FIRST LINE OF DUTY IS TO PROTECT HUMANS AND SOULS.

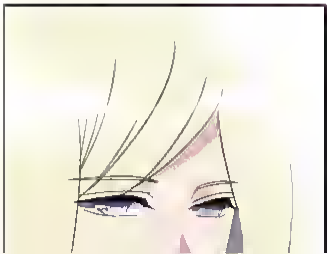
YES, I AM AWARE OF THIS LINE.

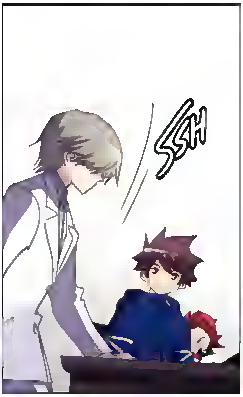
THAT IS WHY I HAD TO DO WHAT I THOUGHT WAS BEST AT THAT POINT TO PROTECT BOTH HUMANS AND AZRAELS.

I HAD TO PREVENT MEPHISTO FROM FIGHTING IN THE HUMAN WORLD.

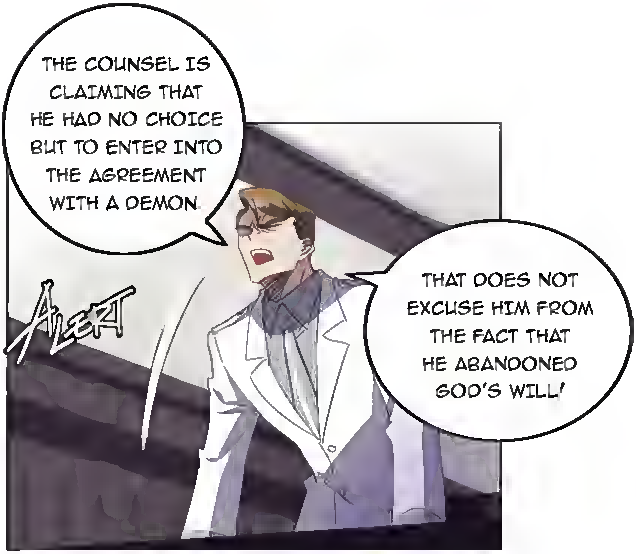
AND SEND HIM BACK TO THE UNDERWORLD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...

GRUNGH
THAT WAS THE ONLY WAY TO SAVE EVERYONE

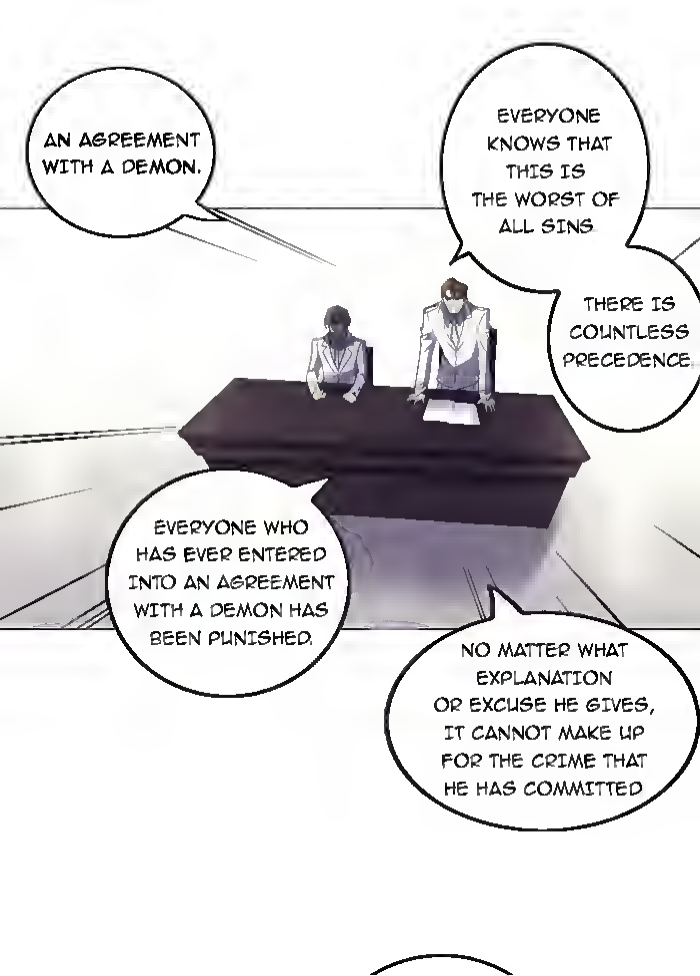



SSH

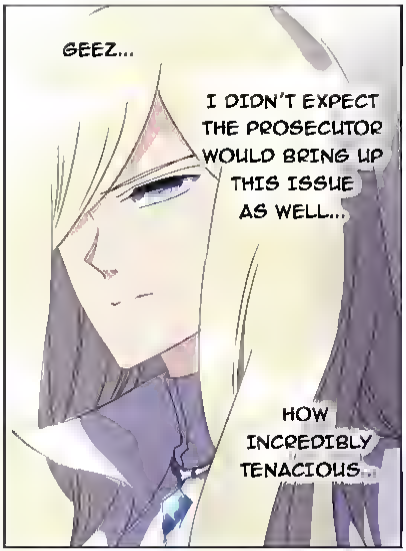
FAUST...


THE COUNSEL IS CLAIMING THAT HE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO ENTER INTO THE AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON.
ALERT
THAT DOES NOT EXCUSE HIM FROM THE FACT THAT HE ABANDONED GOD'S WILL!
AN AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF GOD.

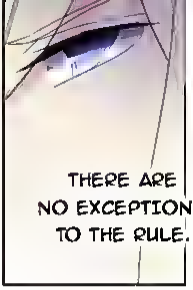
IT IS
UNCOUNTABLE
THAT THIS
IS A SIN.


AN AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON.
EVERYONE KNOWS THAT THIS IS THE WORST OF ALL SINS
THERE IS COUNTLESS PRECEDENCE
EVERYONE WHO HAS EVER ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON HAS BEEN PUNISHED.
NO MATTER WHAT EXPLANATION OR EXCUSE HE GIVES, IT CANNOT MAKE UP FOR THE CRIME THAT HE HAS COMMITTED

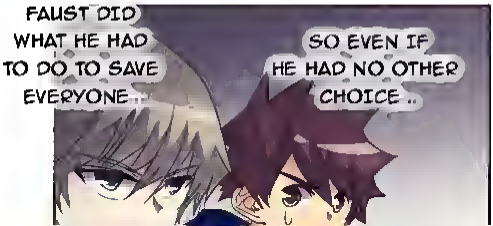
IN THE UNIQUE SITUATION THAT GOD WOULD GRANT HIS PERMISSION...
BUT THE DEFENDANT HAS ALREADY GIVEN THE STATEMENT THAT HE HAS ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON BY HIMSELF.
THE CRIME COMMITTED BY THE DEFENDANT IS UNCHANGED
GRIN

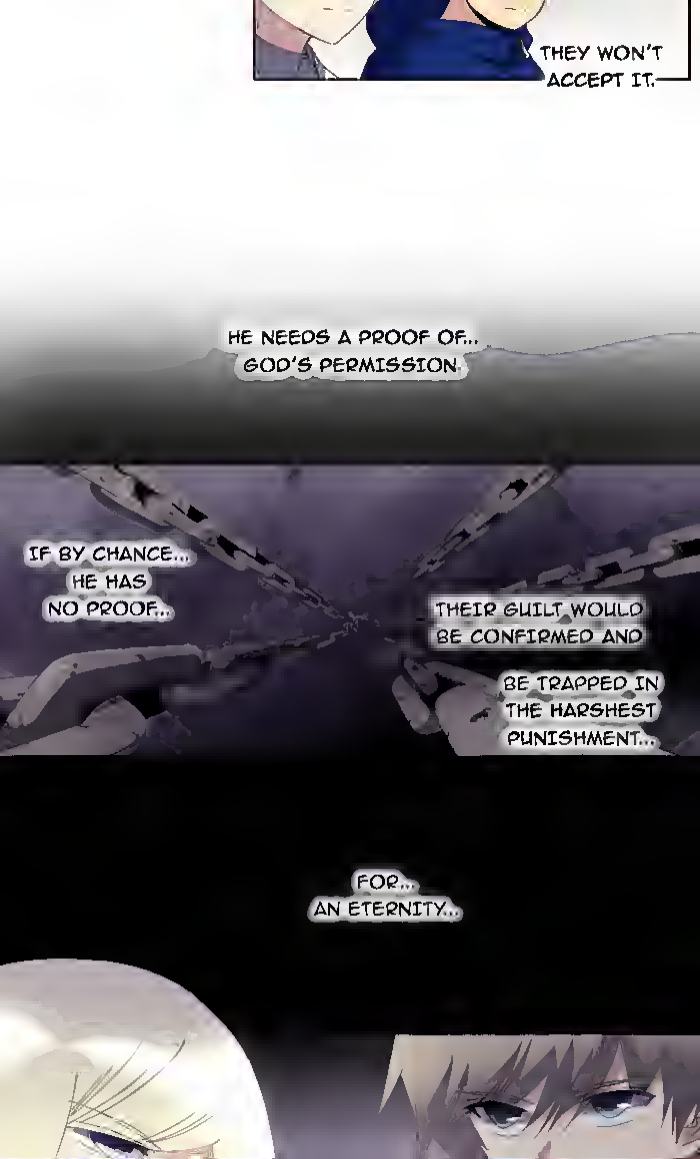

GEEZ...
I DIDN'T EXPECT THE PROSECUTOR WOULD BRING UP THIS ISSUE AS WELL...
HOW INCREDIBLY TENACIOUS...

ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF GOD IS ONE OF THE GREATEST SIN.

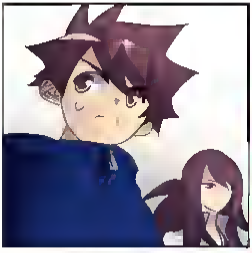

THERE ARE
NO EXCEPTIONS
TO THE RULE.

AN AGREEMENT
WITH A DEMON
THAT ITSELF
MEANS...
LEAVING GOD
TO PAIR UP WITH
A DEMON...
WHICH IS
AN ABSOLUTE TABOO...

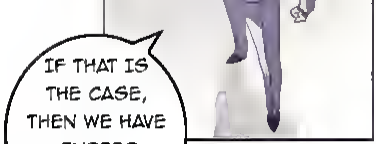

FAUST DID
WHAT HE HAD
TO DO TO SAVE
EVERYONE...
SO EVEN IF
HE HAD NO OTHER
CHOICE..


THEY WON'T ACCEPT IT.
HE NEEDS A PROOF OF... GOD'S PERMISSION
IF BY CHANCE... HE HAS NO PROOF...
THEIR GUILT WOULD BE CONFIRMED AND
BE TRAPPED IN THE HARSHEST PUNISHMENT...
FOR... AN ETERNITY...

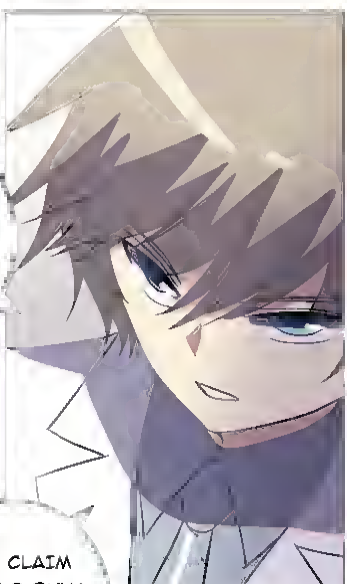
FAUST...



COUNSEL, WILL YOU COUNTER?
YES, YOUR HONOR.
THE PROSECUTOR IS CLAIMING THAT WE HAD ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF GOD



IF THAT IS THE CASE, THEN WE HAVE INDEED COMMITTED SIN

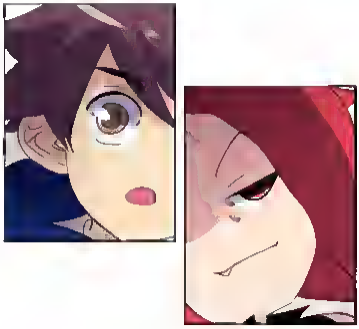


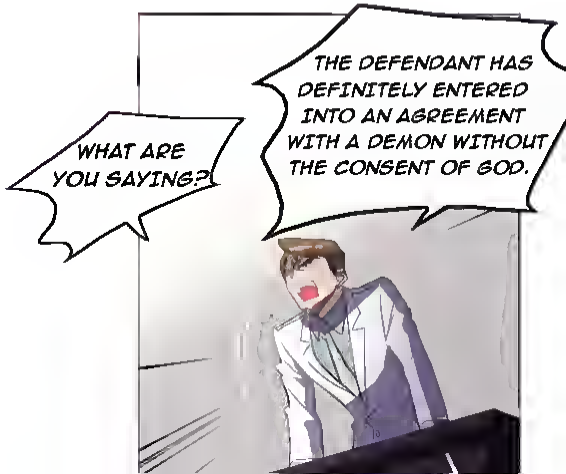
BUT THIS IS ONLY A CLAIM BY THE PROSECUTOR.

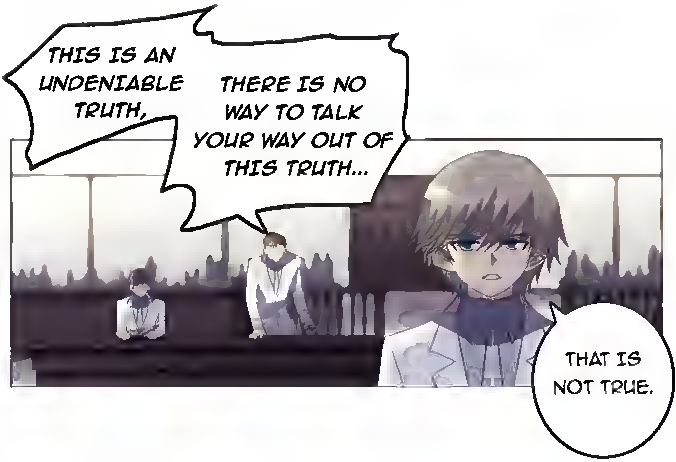
HIS CLAIM WOULD ONLY BE TRUE IF PROVEN TO BE.

BUT WE HAVE NOT GONE AGAINST
GOD'S WILL NOR THE LAW IN ANY WAY

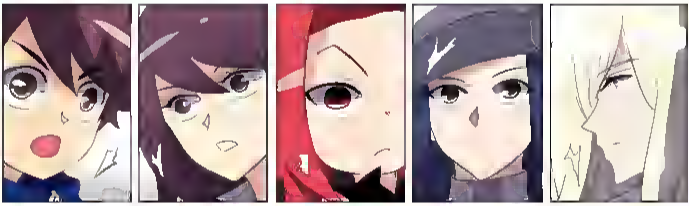
THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO TRUTH TO THE PROSECUTOR'S CLAIM




THE DEFENDANT HAS DEFINITELY ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH A DEMON WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF GOD.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!


THIS IS AN UNDENIABLE TRUTH,
THERE IS NO WAY TO TALK YOUR WAY OUT OF THIS TRUTH...
THAT IS NOT TRUE.

I WILL PRESENT MY PROOF OF CONSENT.



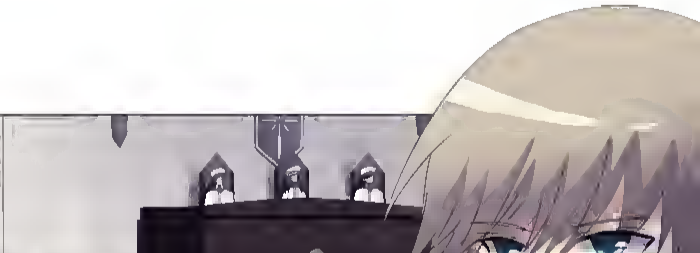
P...PROOF?!

IS HE SAYING HE'S RECEIVED GOD'S APPROVAL...?!

I WILL PRESENT TO YOU-
WHAT WILL PROVE OUR INNOCENCE..

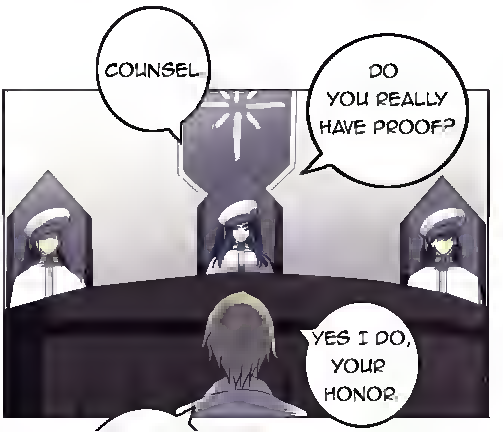
GOD'S APPROVAL... CLEAR "PHYSICAL EVIDENCE"...

LINE Webtoon



P...PROOF...?!

THERE'S THE PROOF OF GOD'S APPROVAL...?!
NO WAY!!


COUNSEL.
DO YOU REALLY HAVE PROOF?
YES I DO, YOUR HONOR.

I WILL NOW PRESENT IT TO YOU.

Soul Cartel

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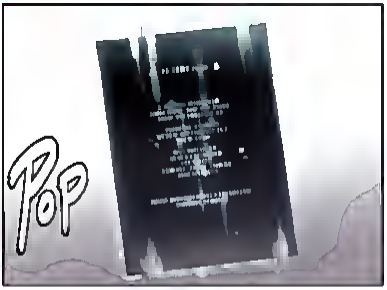
SWOOSH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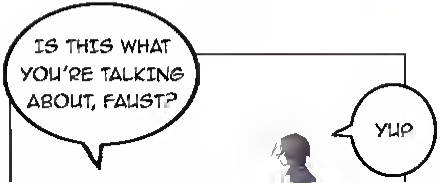
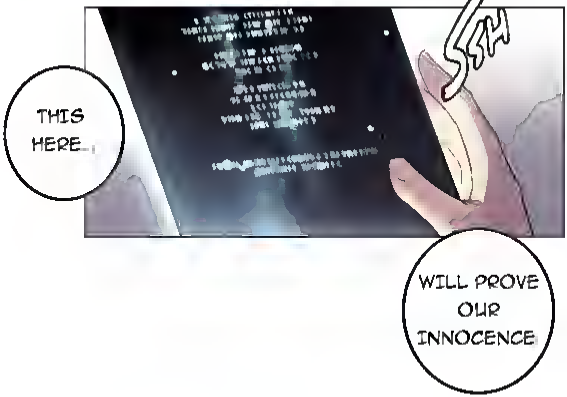

IS THIS WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, FAUST?
YUP


SSH
THIS HERE..
WILL PROVE OUR INNOCENCE

TANGIBLE EVIDENCE.. OF GOD'S APPROVAL.
SHOOSH

A CONTRACT.

BUSTLE
BUSTLE
BUSTLE
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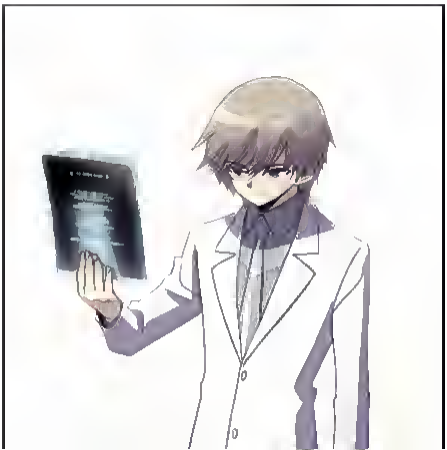
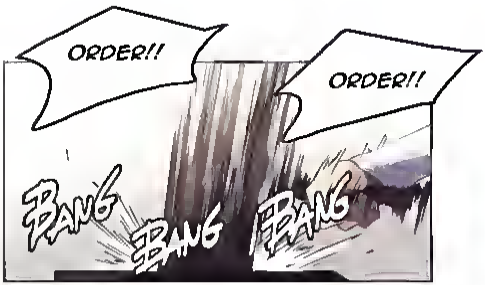
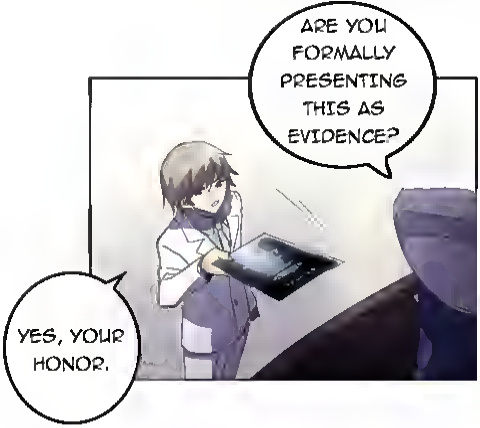
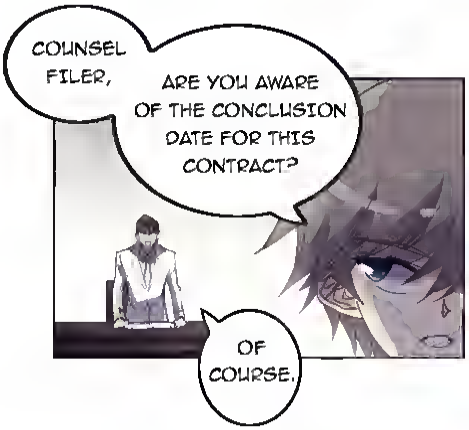
BUSTLE

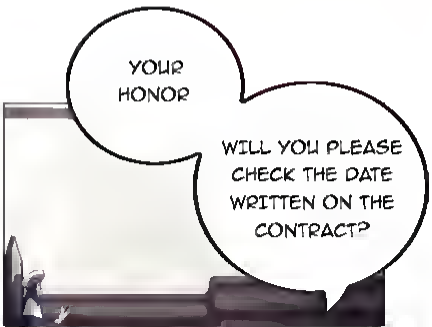



ORDER!!
ORDER!!
BANG
BANG
BANG


ARE YOU FORMALLY PRESENTING THIS AS EVIDENCE?
YES, YOUR HONOR.

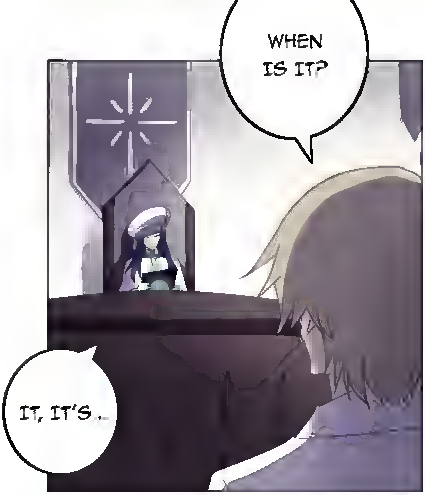

COUNSEL FILER,
ARE YOU AWARE OF THE CONCLUSION DATE FOR THIS CONTRACT?
OF COURSE.

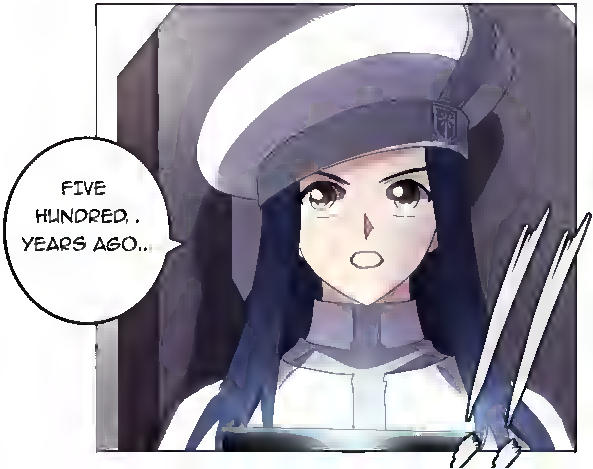
ACCORDING TO THE STATEMENT OF THE AZRAEL WITNESS..
IT WAS JUST A FEW DAYS AGO..
YOU ARE WRONG
THAT IS NOT THE DATE


YOUR HONOR
WILL YOU PLEASE CHECK THE DATE WRITTEN ON THE CONTRACT?

OK,
LET'S SEE
HERE...

THIS IS...?!


WHEN IS IT?
IT, IT'S..


FIVE HUNDRED.. YEARS AGO..

WHAT...!!!

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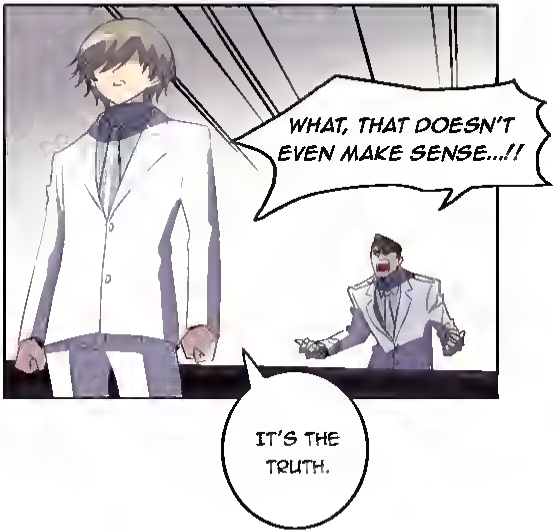
WHAT, THAT DOESN'T EVEN MAKE SENSE...!!
IT'S THE TRUTH.

A FIVE HUNDRED YEAR OLD CONTRACT AND A NEW PRESENT CONTRACT.
THE AGREEMENT WAS MADE 'TWICE'

HOWEVER, THE CONTRACT WAS ONLY ENTERED "ONCE", THAT HAPPENED TO BE FROM A PREVIOUS LIFE.
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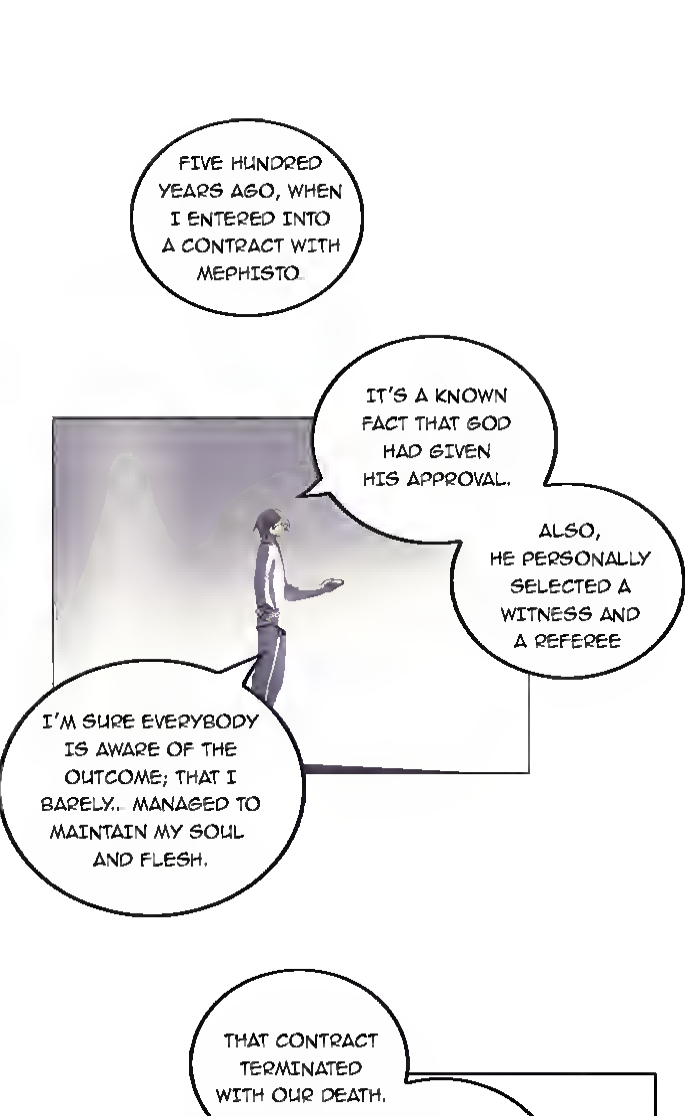

FIVE HUNDRED YEARS AGO, WHEN I ENTERED INTO A CONTRACT WITH MEPHISTO.
IT'S A KNOWN FACT THAT GOD HAD GIVEN HIS APPROVAL.
ALSO, HE PERSONALLY SELECTED A WITNESS AND A REFEREE
I'M SURE EVERYBODY IS AWARE OF THE OUTCOME; THAT I BARELY.. MANAGED TO MAINTAIN MY SOUL AND FLESH.
THAT CONTRACT TERMINATED WITH OUR DEATH.

BUT MEPHISTO WOULD NOT ADMIT HIS DEFEAT
HMPH!
HE WAS GOING TO FIND A WAY TO DECIDE A WINNER NO MATTER WHAT

SO THAT HE CAN COME OUT ON TOP.
WHAT I'M SAYING IS...
IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME... TO GET AWAY FROM MEPHISTO
AND THAT WAS THE MAIN REASON TO COMMIT MYSELF...
TO DO WHATEVER I CAN TO REHABILITATE MEPHISTO...

THE PROBLEM HERE, IS THE CONTRACT.

A CONTRACT AGREED UPON SOULS ARE VERY SPECIAL.

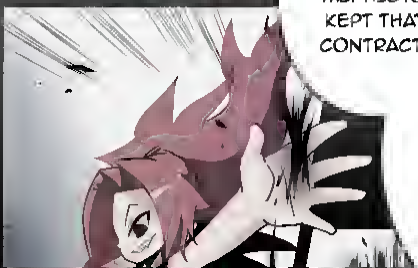
UNLIKE THE CONTRACTS THAT MEINS AND DEMONS ENTER INTO... A CONTRACT WITH FLESH OR ONESELF ON THE LINE...

THE VERY SPECIAL CONTRACT THAT HANDLES WAGERING SOULS.

A "SOUL CARTEL" CONTRACT... IS SUCH A RARE OCCURRENCE THAT ONLY FIVE WERE EVER ENTERED INTO.

THAT'S WHY MEPHISTO KEPT THAT CONTRACT

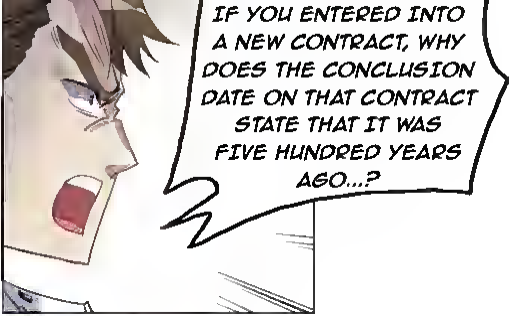
FROM FIVE HUNDRED YEARS GO EVEN AFTER THE CONTRACT WAS OVER

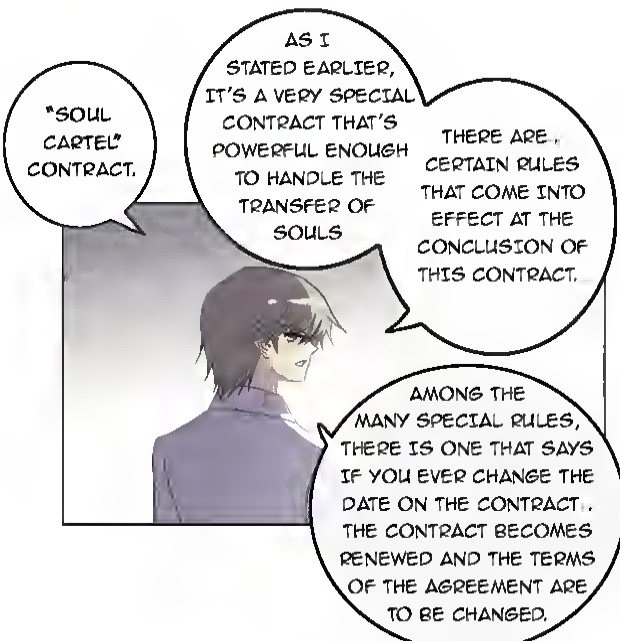


SO THAT HE COULD CONTRACT ONCE AGAIN "WAGERING MY SOUL" MY REINCARNATION

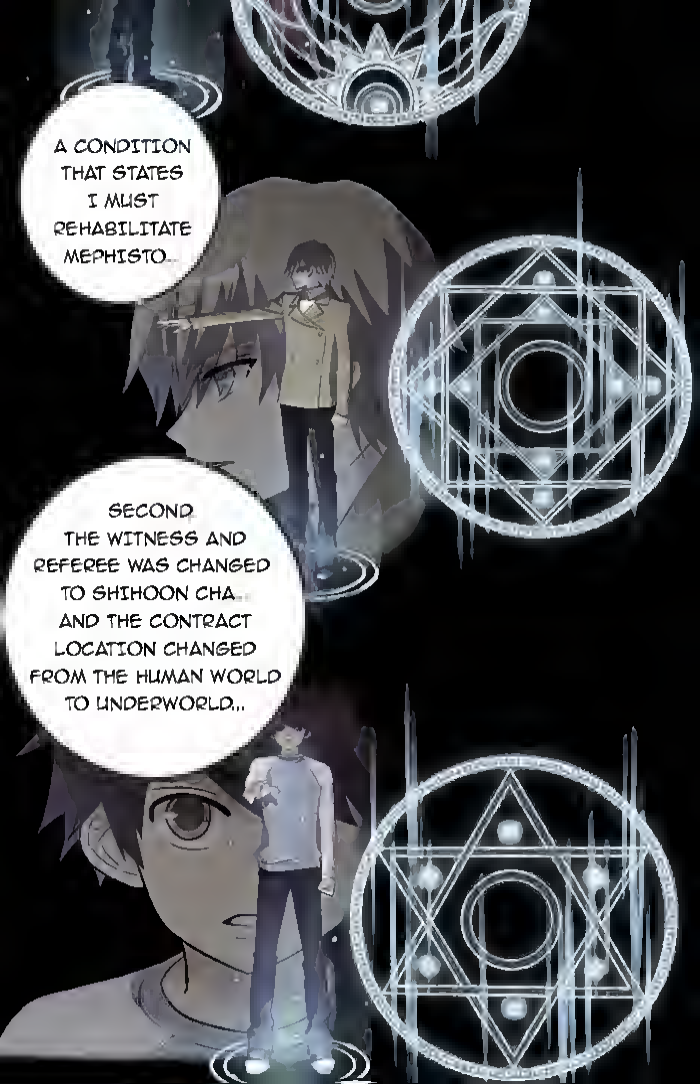
THAT, THAT MEANS, THIS CONTRACT...
THE CONTRACT FROM FIVE HUNDRED YEARS AGO THAT MEPHISTO KEPT.
I CONFIRMED THE EXISTENCE OF THAT CONTRACT...
AND ENTERED INTO ANOTHER CONTRACT.

H...HOLD ON!!


IF YOU ENTERED INTO A NEW CONTRACT, WHY DOES THE CONCLUSION DATE ON THAT CONTRACT STATE THAT IT WAS FIVE HUNDRED YEARS AGO...?


"SOUL CARTEL" CONTRACT.
AS I STATED EARLIER, IT'S A VERY SPECIAL CONTRACT THAT'S POWERFUL ENOUGH TO HANDLE THE TRANSFER OF SOULS
THERE ARE CERTAIN RULES THAT COME INTO EFFECT AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS CONTRACT.
AMONG THE MANY SPECIAL RULES, THERE IS ONE THAT SAYS IF YOU EVER CHANGE THE DATE ON THE CONTRACT, THE CONTRACT BECOMES RENEWED AND THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT ARE TO BE CHANGED.

IF THAT'S THE CASE..., THE PORTION OF THE CONTRACT THAT I WANTED TO LEAVE...
WHICH IS "SOMETHING IMPORTANT" STATED IN THE CONTRACT WOULD ALSO BE DELETED. SO I JUST COULDN'T LET THAT HAPPEN
THAT'S WHY... AFTER ALTERING A PORTION OF THE CONTRACT, WE RENEWED IT
THERE WERE THREE MAJOR IMPORTANT CHANGES.


A CONDITION THAT STATES I MUST REHABILITATE MEPHISTO..
SECOND THE WITNESS AND REFEREE WAS CHANGED TO SHIHOON CHA.. AND THE CONTRACT LOCATION CHANGED FROM THE HUMAN WORLD TO UNDERWORLD..

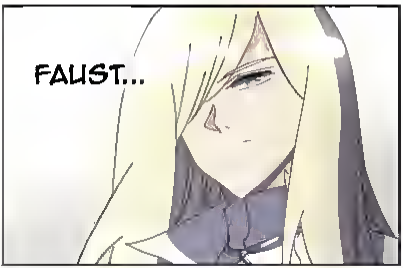
SO THAT THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM WITH NOT CHANGING THE DATE ON THE CONTRACT...

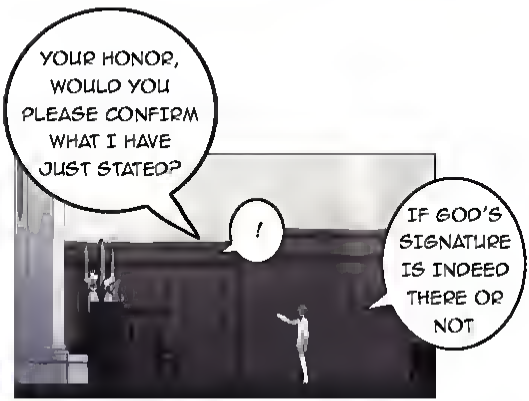
WE PERFECTLY EXECUTED THE CONTRACT

THAT IS WHY, THE SAME DATE FROM FIVE HUNDRED YEARS AGO APPEARS ON THAT CONTRACT
THEN, THAT MEANS...!!
THE IMPORTANT PIECE THAT YOU WANTED TO LEAVE IN THE CONTRACT WAS...
THAT'S RIGHT

AN APPROVAL FOR ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH A DEMON...
"GOD'S SIGNATURE"

THE OMNIPOTENT GOD.
HE COULD HAVE TAKEN AWAY HIS SIGNATURE AT ANY TIME AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE CONTRACT.
AS IS THE CASE RIGHT NOW. EVEN AT THIS MOMENT, HE COULD DO SO IF HE PLEASED.
SO IF... HIS SIGNATURE IS STILL IN PLACE...
IT WOULD MEAN THAT GOD HAS GIVEN HIS "APPROVAL" OUR SECOND CONTRACT.


FAUST...


YOUR HONOR, WOULD YOU PLEASE CONFIRM WHAT I HAVE JUST STATED?
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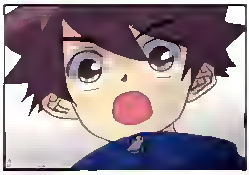
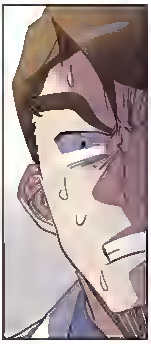
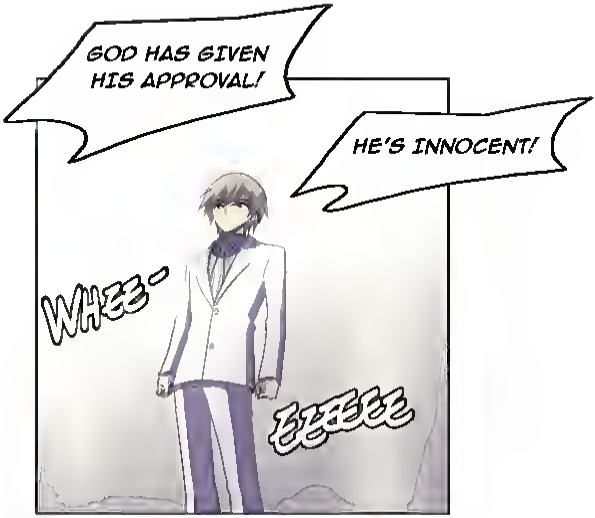
IF GOD'S SIGNATURE IS INDEED THERE OR NOT

IF "GOD'S SIGNATURE"
IS THERE, WE'RE INNOCENT..
IF NOT, GUILTY..



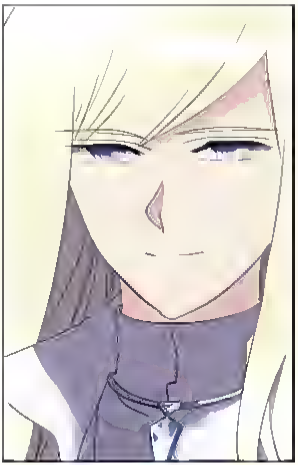


GOD'S SIGNATURE...
REMAINS...
YEAHHHHHHH!!!
WOW!!

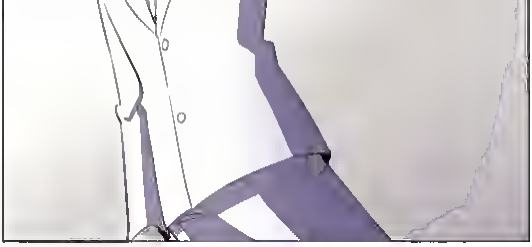

GOD HAS GIVEN HIS APPROVAL!
HE'S INNOCENT!
WHEE-
EEEEE

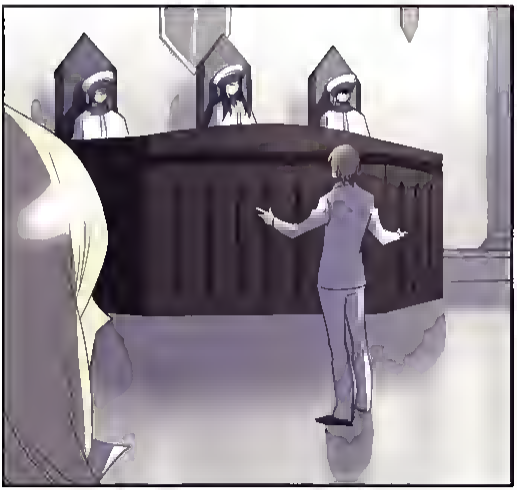
FAUST!!
I THOUGHT MY LIVER WAS ABOUT TO EXPLODE-.
PHEW~

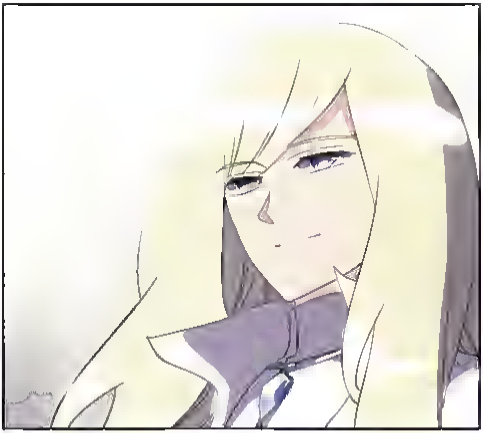
HA!
GETTING SO EXCITED OVER NOTHING.

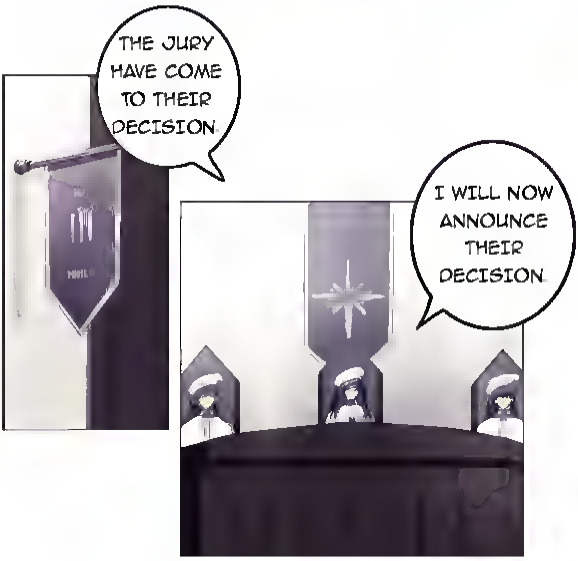


FLOP

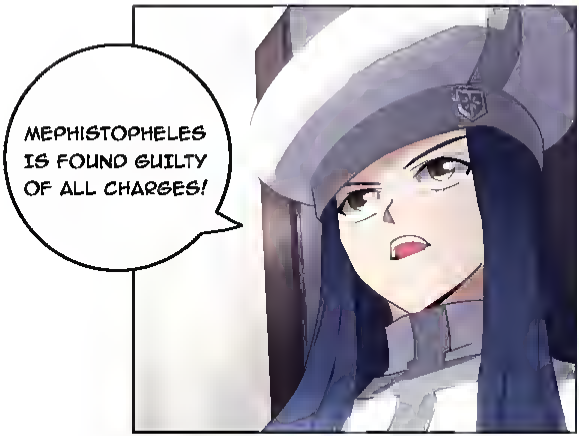






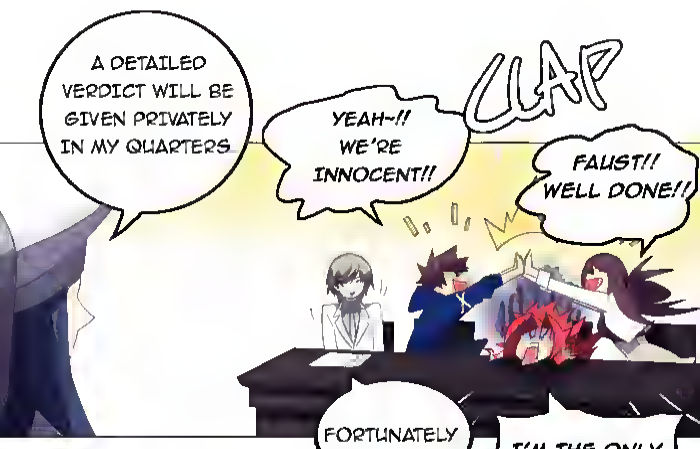

THE JURY HAVE COME TO THEIR DECISION
I WILL NOW ANNOUNCE THEIR DECISION

THE DEFENDANT IS FOUND TO BE...

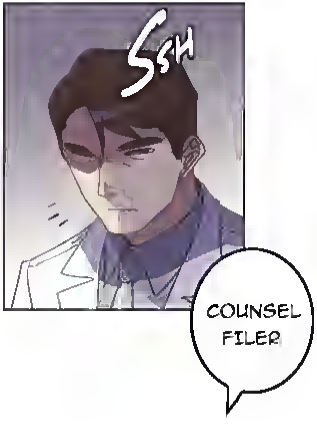

MEPHISTOPHELES IS FOUND GUILTY OF ALL CHARGES!

SHIHOON CHA, SOOIN CHA, AND FAUST ARE ALL FOUND NOT GUILTY.

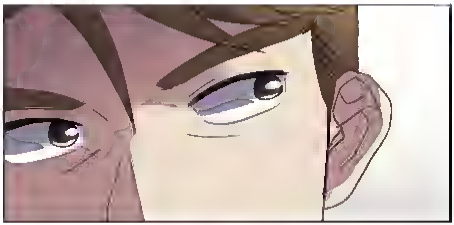
BANG
BANG
BANG

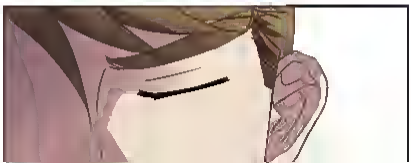

A DETAILED VERDICT WILL BE GIVEN PRIVATELY IN MY QUARTERS
YEAH~!! WE'RE INNOCENT!!
CLAP
FAUST!! WELL DONE!!
FORTUNATELY
I'M THE ONLY GUILTY ONE!!!!!!

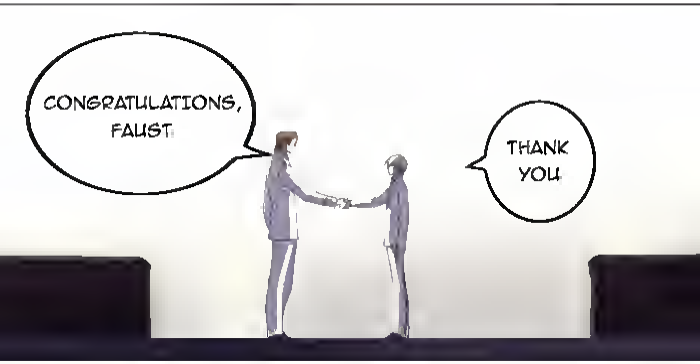
I LOST...
COMPLETELY.


SSH
COUNSEL FILER

IT WAS
A GREAT
BATTLE

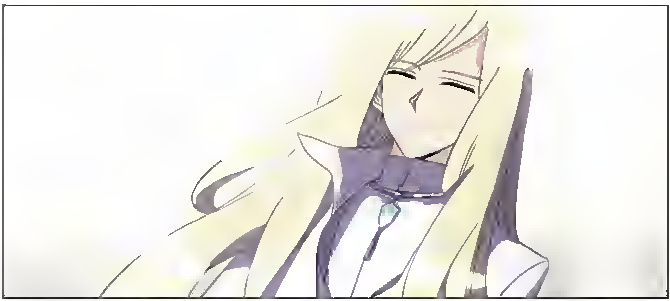





CONGRATULATIONS, FAUST.
THANK YOU.

NEXT TIME, LET'S MEET SOMEWHERE THAT'S NOT A COURTHOUSE

YES..



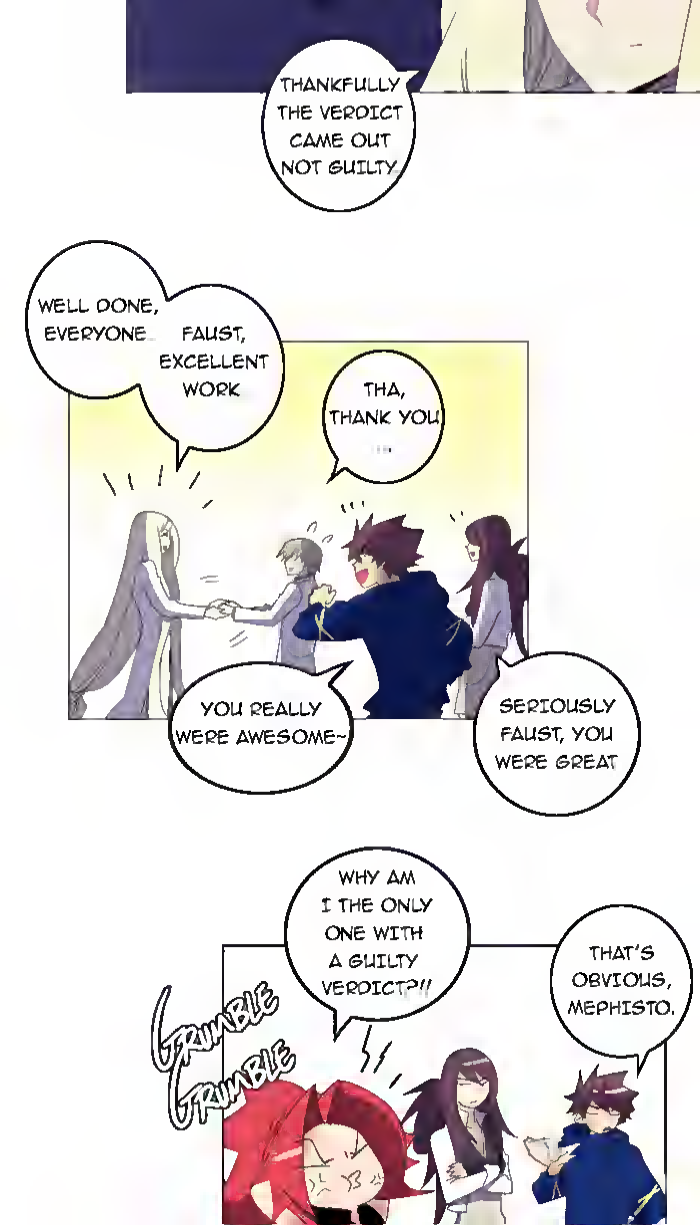
WHY AM I THE ONLY GUILTY ONE~!!
YOU BASTARDS~!!!
ROAR!

SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

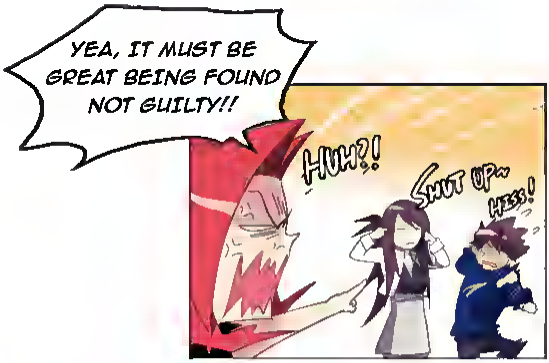
LINE Webtoon

CONGRATULATIONS!!

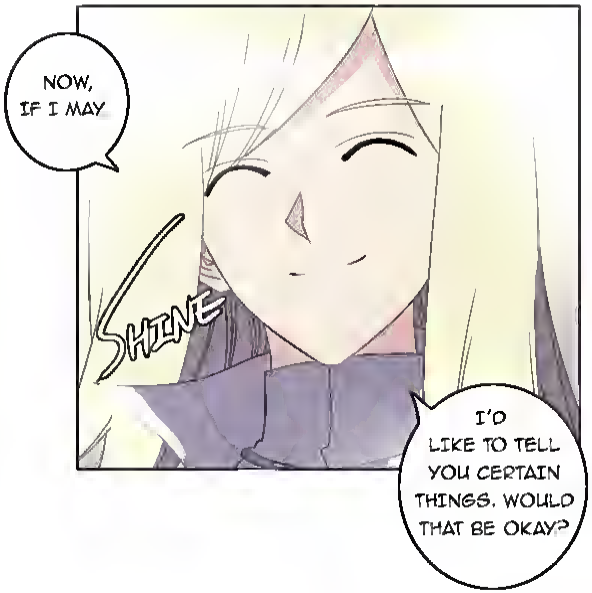
I'M SO HAPPY FOR YOU ALL!

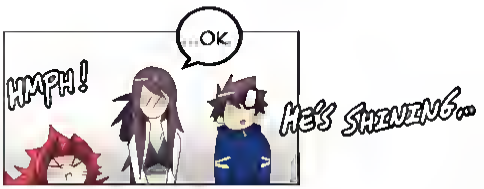

THANKFULLY THE VERDICT CAME OUT NOT GUILTY
WELL DONE, EVERYONE
FAUST, EXCELLENT WORK
THA, THANK YOU
YOU REALLY WERE AWESOME~
SERIOUSLY FAUST, YOU WERE GREAT
WHY AM I THE ONLY ONE WITH A GUILTY VERDICT?!!
THAT'S OBVIOUS, MEPHISTO.
GRUMBLE GRUMBLE

THAT DEMON...


YEA, IT MUST BE GREAT BEING FOUND NOT GUILTY!!
HUH?!
SHUT UP~
HISS!

AHEM


NOW, IF I MAY
SHINE
I'D LIKE TO TELL YOU CERTAIN THINGS. WOULD THAT BE OKAY?


....OK.
HMPH!
HE'S SHINING...

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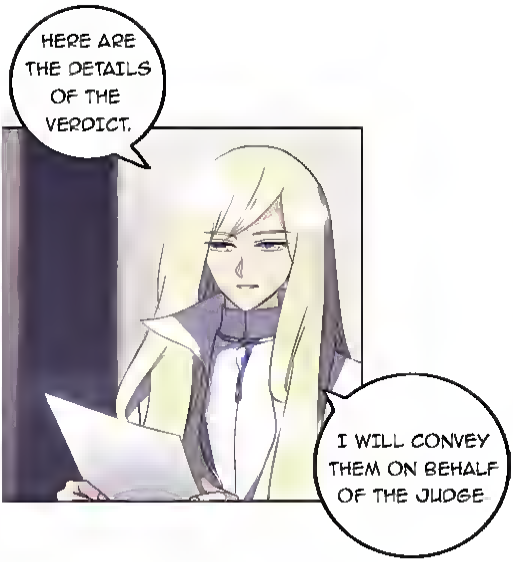

HERE ARE THE DETAILS OF THE VERDICT.
I WILL CONVEY THEM ON BEHALF OF THE JUDGE

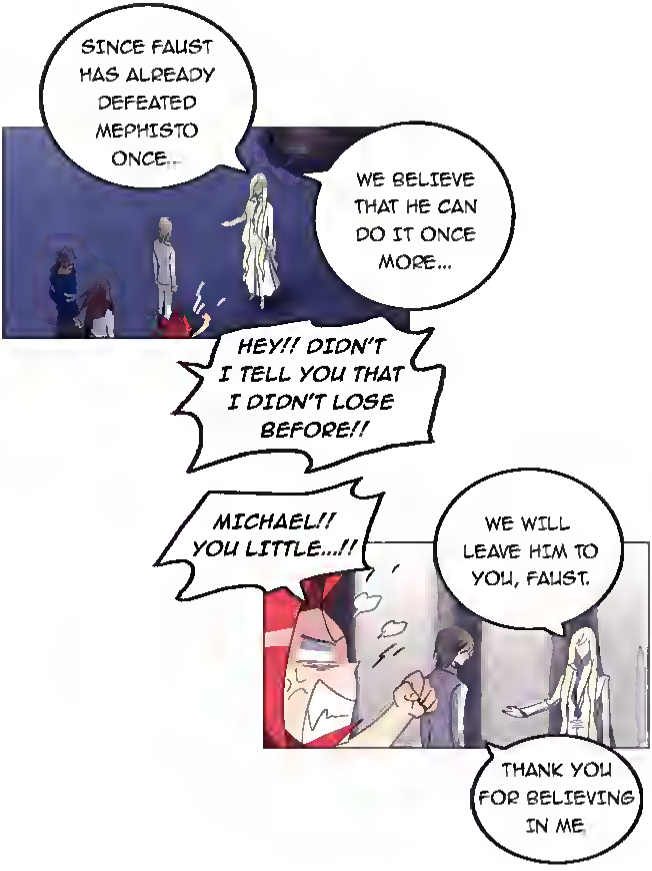
RESULTS. THE THREE OF YOU ARE CLEAR OF ALL CHARGES.
THE PROBLEM IS... THE PUNISHMENT FOR THE ONE GUILTY AS CHARGED, MEPHISTO.
HMM?!

WHY ME? WHY! WHY! WHY!
ACCORDING TO THE RULES OF DIVINE LAW, THE GREATEST PUNISHMENT ABLE TO BE GIVEN IS
INCARCERATION FOR ETERNITY SO THAT THE GUILTY ONE WILL LEARN OF REGRET FOR THEIR ACTIONS
BUT WE ALL KNOW THAT A DEMON LIKE YOURSELF WOULD NEVER TAKE THIS LYING DOWN YOU'D TRY TO ESCAPE NO MATTER WHAT

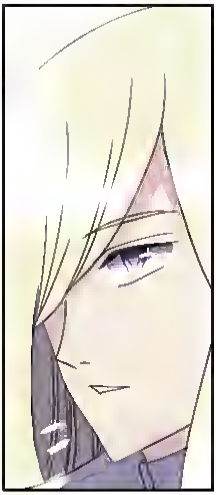
EVEN IF US ARCHANGELS WERE TO KEEP WATCH... KEEPING HIM INCARCERATED FOR ETERNITY WOULD BE...
TOO RISKY
REALISTICALLY SPEAKING, IT WOULD NEVER WORK
HMPH!
NO SHIT!
ALSO, IF THIS WERE TO HAPPEN, IT COULD POTENTIALLY START A FULL SCALE WAR BETWEEN ANGELS AND DEMONS
OF COURSE WE WOULD NEVER WANT THAT TO HAPPEN.
WITH ALL THE ANGELS AND AZRAEL UNDER MY WATCH... I'D RATHER AVOID A POINTLESS WAR.

THAT IS WHY. I HAVE LISTENED TO THE MANY OPINIONS OF THE JURY
THE POPULAR CHOICE SEEMS TO BE TO WAIT UNTIL THE RESULTS OF YOUR CURRENT CONTRACT ARE FINALIZED
THE CONTRACT STATES THAT FAUST MUST REHABILITATE MEPHISTO.
IF FAUST SUCCEEDS IN DOING SO,
THERE WOULD BE NO GREATER PUNISHMENT TO LAY UPON A DEMON.

BASICALLY,
THEY ARE PUTTING THEIR TRUST IN FAUST.


SINCE FAUST HAS ALREADY DEFEATED MEPHISTO ONCE...
WE BELIEVE THAT HE CAN DO IT ONCE MORE...
HEY!! DIDN'T I TELL YOU THAT I DIDN'T LOSE BEFORE!!
MICHAEL!! YOU LITTLE...!!
WE WILL LEAVE HIM TO YOU, FAUST.
THANK YOU FOR BELIEVING IN ME.

IN FACT...
THERE'S SOMEONE MORE IMPORTANT THAT WILL DECIDE
THE OUTCOME OF THIS CONTRACT



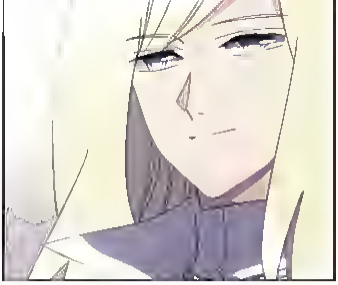
SHIHOON CHA.
THE REFEREE FOR THIS CONTRACT.
?!!

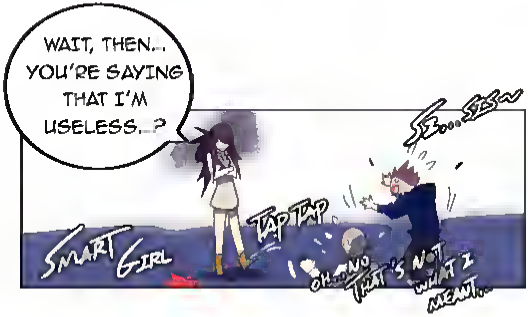
ME... ME?!
YES.
MEPHISTO IS THE ONE THAT CHOSE YOU, BUT I STILL TRUST YOU.

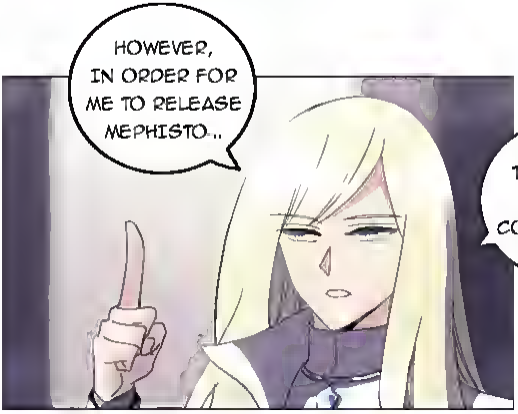
BECAUSE WHEN THE TIME COMES FOR YOU TO MAKE AN IMPORTANT DECISION...

I FULLY BELIEVE THAT YOU WILL GIVE THE BEST VERDICT POSSIBLE

HA!
I'M GONNA WIN ANYWAY!




WAIT, THEN... YOU'RE SAYING THAT I'M USELESS...?
SMART GIRL
TAP TAP
OH... NO THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT...
EE... SIS~


HOWEVER, IN ORDER FOR ME TO RELEASE MEPHISTO..
THERE IS ONE CONDITION

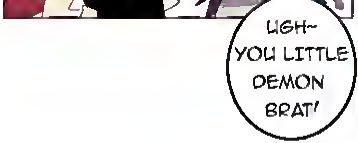
SAFETY.
?

MEPHISTO,
YOU MUST GUARANTEE THE SAFETY OF FAUST, SHIHOON CHA, AND SOOIN CHA DURING THE DURATION OF THIS CONTRACT

DO YOU ACCEPT?

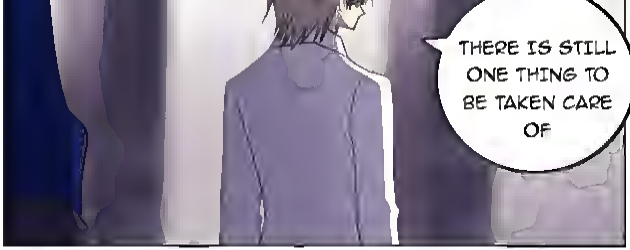
SURE, THAT DOESN'T SOUND SO HARD.
I'M STILL VERY INTERESTED IN THESE GUYS.

'CAUSE I WANNA MESS AROUND WITH THEM AS MUCH AS I'D LIKE!!
HAHAHAHAHA


UGH~
YOU LITTLE
DEMON
BRAT!
...

WELL~
SO THEN
WE'RE GOOD
TO GO
NOW?!
STRETCH~

NO.


THERE IS STILL ONE THING TO BE TAKEN CARE OF

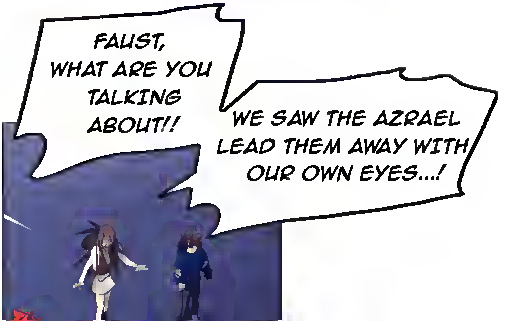
THERE IS..? WHAT IS IT..?

THE SOUL HUNTERS.

?

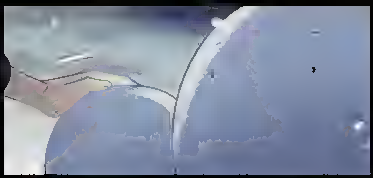
ALL THE SOULS THAT WE BROUGHT ALONG WITH US...
WERE KIDNAPPED BY THE SOUL HUNTERS.
!!

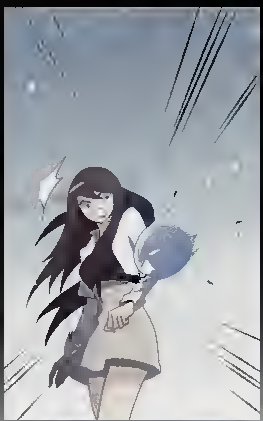
WHAT...?!


FAUST, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
WE SAW THE AZRAEL LEAD THEM AWAY WITH OUR OWN EYES...!

THE AZRAEL YOU KNEW WAS THE ONE WHO...
THEY WERE ALL ATTACKED
YAGO AND BANWOO WERE BOTH KILLED
I.. CONFIRMED IT.
THE AZRAELS...
WERE KILLED?!!!
THEN...

THE MOTHER AND BABY SOULS WERE ALSO...





ALONG WITH THAT PERVERT SOUL...

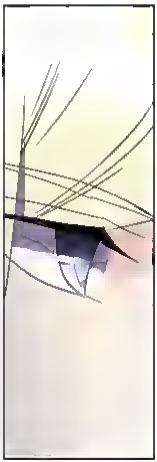
WERE ALL...

WE SHOULDN'T BE STANDING AROUND LIKE THIS. HURRY LET'S GO....!!
HOLD ON, SHIHOON

MICHAEL
WOULD YOU PLEASE... CALL KAROB FOR US?
!

I HEARD THAT KAROB IS IN CHARGE OF THIS CASE.
WE ARE INVOLVED IN THIS CASE AS WELL.

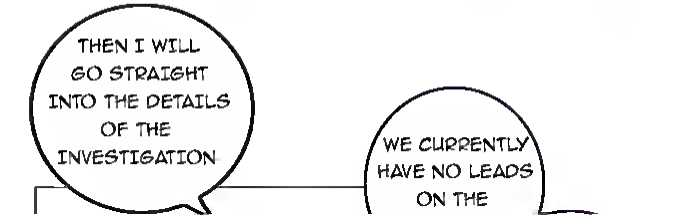
SO, I'D LIKE US TO HELP HIM CATCH THE SOUL HUNTERS.



NICE TO MEET YOU.

MY NAME IS KAROB AND I AM LEADING THIS INVESTIGATION.

YOU ARE SHIHOON AND SOOIN CHA CORRECT?
I HEARD OF YOU BOTH FROM FAUST
OH, YES. NICE TO MEET YOU.


THEN I WILL GO STRAIGHT INTO THE DETAILS OF THE INVESTIGATION
WE CURRENTLY HAVE NO LEADS ON THE

SUSPECTS.
THEY NEVER STAY IN ONE SPOT AND NEVER LEAVE MUCH OF A TRAIL.
AT THE STRATEGY MEETING WITH THE INVESTIGATION TEAM,
WE'VE DECIDED TO LAY A TRAP SO THAT THEY COME TO US RATHER THAN US GO TO THEM.

TO SEND THEM FALSE INFORMATION AND THE BAIT.

WE'VE ACTUALLY TRIED SEVERAL TIMES ALREADY... BUT THEY ARE PROVING TO BE A LOT MORE CUNNING THAN WE THOUGHT.
BUT THIS TIME WILL BE DIFFERENT. WE HAVE THE PERFECT "BAIT" NOW
THE PERFECT.. BAIT?
YES...
HE'S TALKING ABOUT US..

HUMANS.
!!

MEINS EAT SOULS
BECAUSE THEIR BODIES ARE UNSTABLE..
THEY MUST EAT SOULS TO MAINTAIN THEIR BODY.
THAT IS WHY SOULS ARE LIKE THEIR FOOD..
IF THERE ARE NO SOULS AROUND TO EAT.... THEY EVEN KILL OTHER MEINS TO EAT THE SOULS IN IT...

THE WORLD WHERE THE WEAK GET EATEN BY THE STRONG...
IT IS HELL INDEED...
THAT'S WHY... A MEIN'S WISH IS TO BE HUMAN AGAIN...
TO DO THAT IS VERY SIMPLE. THROW AWAY THEIR MANUFACTURED BODIES AND MOVE INTO THE BODY OF A HUMAN.
ONLY THEN... CAN A MEIN BECOME A HUMAN
BUT THEY MUST GET OUT OF THE UNDERWORLD AND GO TO THE HUMAN WORLD TO DO THAT.

ONE COULD STAY IN THE HUMAN WORLD FOREVER BY JUMPING AROUND BODIES.

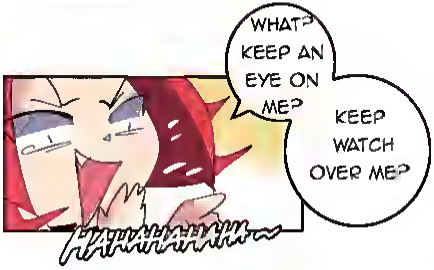
SO....
FINDING HUMAN FLESH IN THE UNDERWORLD IS UNLIKE ANYTHING ELSE.
I'M SURE THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY HEARD OF YOUR PRESENCE HERE FROM THE SOULS THEY CAPTURED
I'M SURE THEY'D COME AFTER YOU.

AS LONG AS I GET TO FIGHT~

OF COURSE, WE WOULDN'T JUST SEND YOU OUT AS BAIT UNDER SUCH DANGEROUS CIRCUMSTANCES.
I WILL ACCOMPANY YOU ON THIS MISSION FOR YOUR SAFETY.

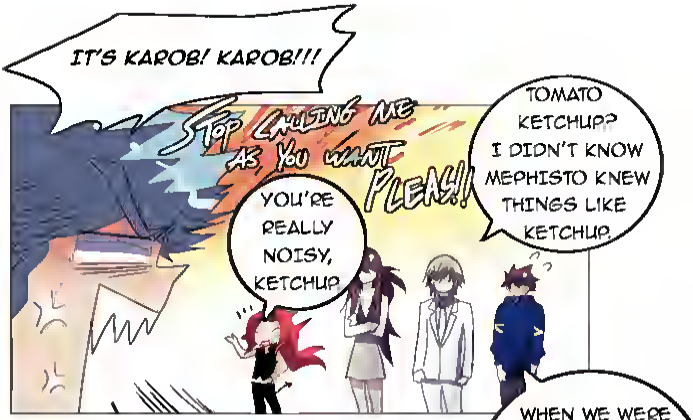
AND ALSO TO KEEP AN EYE ON YOU.
GLARE
?!

HAH


WHAT? KEEP AN EYE ON ME?
KEEP WATCH OVER ME?
AAHHHHHHHH~

HEY, YOU WAIT, WHAT WAS YOUR NAME AGAIN?
KA, WAIT, NO... KETCHUP?
FLINCH

KE...!!
SQUEEZE


IT'S KAROB! KAROB!!!
STOP CALLING ME AS YOU WANT PLEAH!!
YOU'RE REALLY NOISY, KETCHUP.
TOMATO KETCHUP? I DIDN'T KNOW MEPHISTO KNEW THINGS LIKE KETCHUP.
WHEN WE WERE IN THE HUMAN WORLD... I TAUGHT HIM A COUPLE THINGS...

ANYWAYS... THOSE THREE WILL BE FINE AS LUGGAGE
HE'S STILL TREATING US AS LUGGAGE
SWING
SWING
WHATEVER YOU'RE GONNA DO, YOU'LL ONLY BE IN THE WAY. WE DON'T NEED YOU.

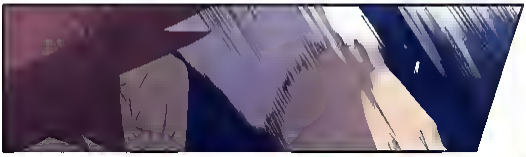
A-HA
AN ANGEL OFFICER SUCH AS MYSELF WILL BE IN THE WAY...?
ANGEL OFFICER?!
YES.
AN ANGEL OFFICER EXCLUDING ARCHANGEL, IT'S THE HIGHEST TITLE YOU CAN HAVE AMONG THE AZRAEL

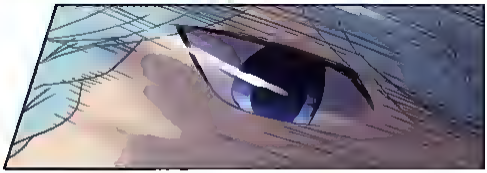
KAROB IS PART OF SPECIAL OPS.
AN ANGEL OFFICER

YOU DON'T TRUST IN MY ABILITIES..?
THEN I GUESS I HAVE NO CHOICE
SWING
SWING
KAROB.
DON'T WORRY, MICHAEL.
I'M NOT SO RASH AS TO STUPIDLY FIGHT A DEMON
CLENCH

INSTEAD..
PLEASE EXCUSE ME FOR A SECOND
LEAP

WOOOSH

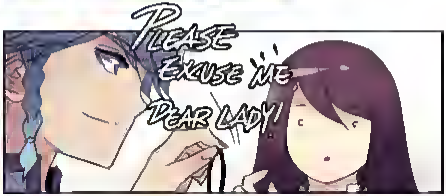


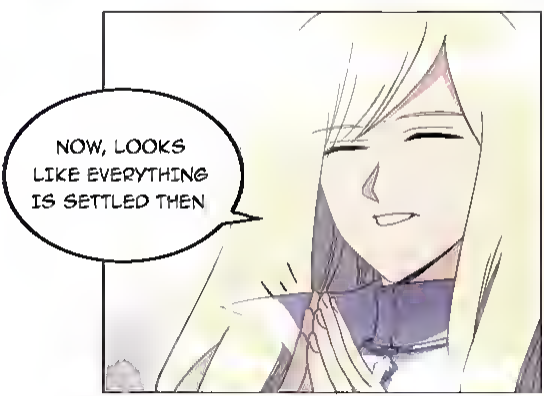


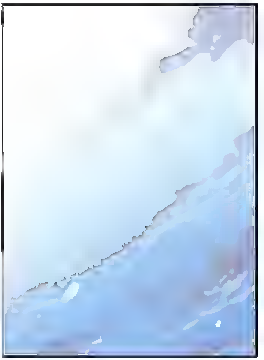
HOW ABOUT THIS?
PUN
PUN
!!

AH! MY RIBBON...!!
SSSH
SQUEEZE
SQUEEZE
WHY ME...
DARN.
HE EVEN UNBUTTONED MY SHIRT...

WOW~!!
YOU'RE FASTER THAN YOU LOOK, KETCHUP!!
IT'S KAROB!
FINE, FINE!
YOU CAN COME ALONG!
SQUEEK
SQUEEK
SQUEEK
HAHAHA
UGH~

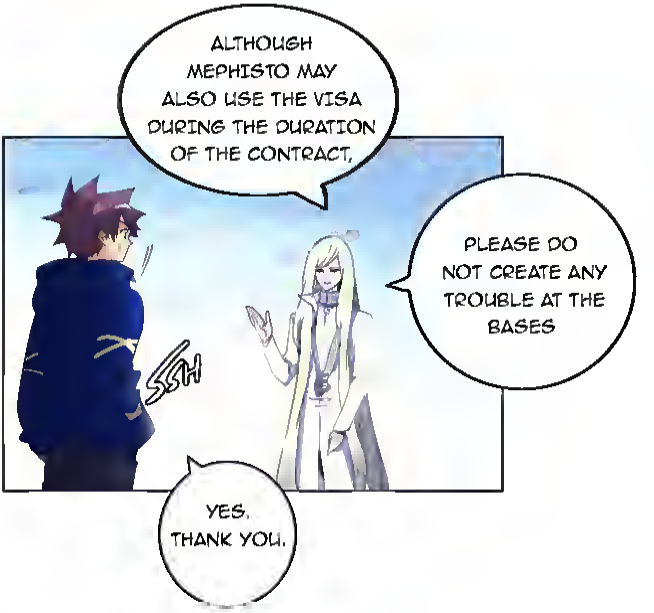

PLEASE EXCUSE ME DEAR LADY


NOW, LOOKS LIKE EVERYTHING IS SETTLED THEN



I WILL SEND YOU OFF FROM HERE

THIS IS A TRAVEL VISA.
YOU MAY TRAVEL THROUGH ANY AZRAEL BASE WITH THIS VISA


ALTHOUGH MEPHISTO MAY ALSO USE THE VISA DURING THE DURATION OF THE CONTRACT,
PLEASE DO NOT CREATE ANY TROUBLE AT THE BASES
SSH
YES. THANK YOU.
ALSO... SHIHOON AND SOOIN CHA I BELIEVE YOU TWO SAID THAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR YOUR PARENTS?

YES.

WE ARE CURRENTLY UNAWARE OF WHO TOOK YOUR PARENTS.

IF ANY NEWS OF THEIR APPEARANCE SHOWS UP IN OUR RECORDS, I WILL LET YOU KNOW IMMEDIATELY.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

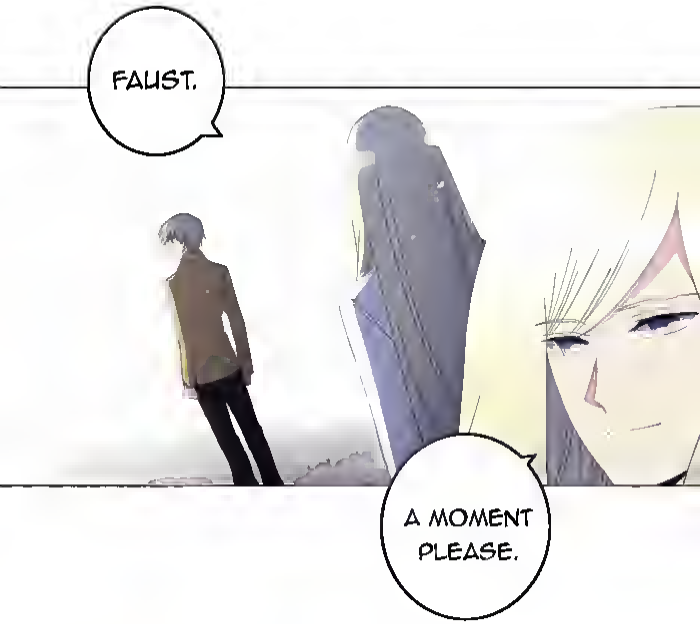
HEY! WHAT THE HELL IS TAKING SO LONG!!
LET'S GET GOING!!
ALRIGHT WE'RE COMING~
You're So Slow!
TAP TAP TAP

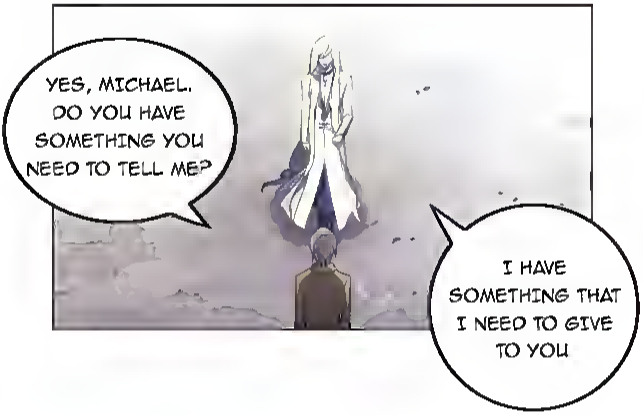
WELL THEN, WE'LL BE ON OUR WAY THEN, MICHAEL.
PLEASE BE CAREFUL.

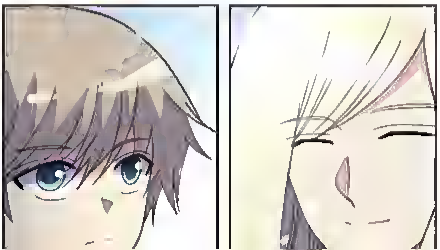
FAUST..

THERE IS ONE LAST THING . . THAT I MUST TELL YOU.

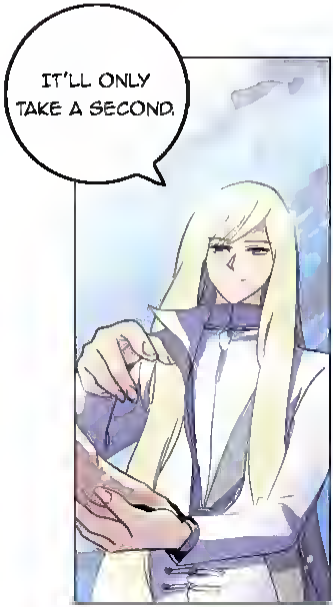
LINE Webtoon


FAUST.
A MOMENT PLEASE.


YES, MICHAEL. DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU NEED TO TELL ME?
I HAVE SOMETHING THAT I NEED TO GIVE TO YOU



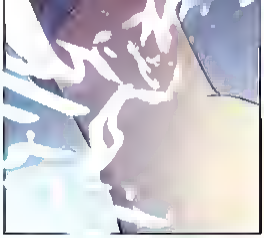
IF I MAY SEE YOUR HAND...
SIH


IT'LL ONLY TAKE A SECOND.

Ssssss

KLASH

SWOOSH



MICHAEL... THIS IS...?
THIS IS MY PRESENT TO YOU.

THIS IS MY CREST.

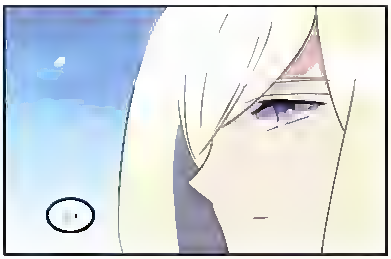
THE ARCHANGEL MICHAEL'S CREST...
WHY ARE YOU HONORING ME WITH THIS...?
I KNOW MEPHISTO PROMISED ME YOUR SAFETY, BUT..
I'M STILL WORRIED.
THIS IS FOR REASSURANCE, AND IT MAY ALSO COME TO ASSIST YOU ON YOUR JOURNEY...
...

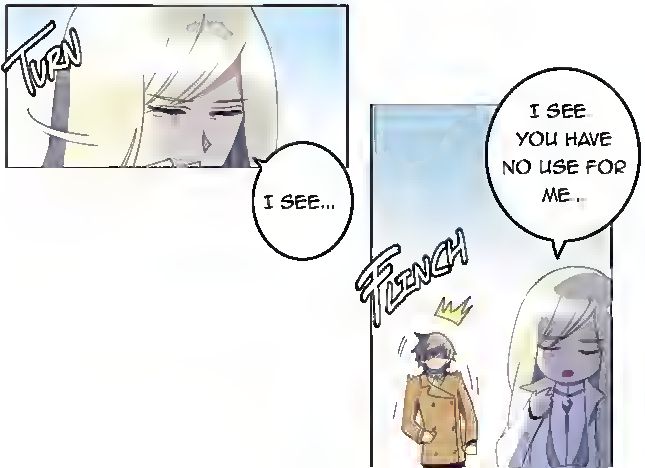
STARED
FA..FAUST?

MICHAEL, PLEASE REMOVE THIS FOR ME
WHAT?!

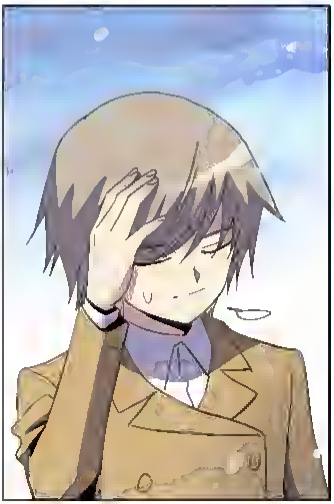
PLEASE REMOVE IT
I'M SURE I REJECTED IT THE FIRST TIME BEFORE MY REINCARNATION...
Oh!

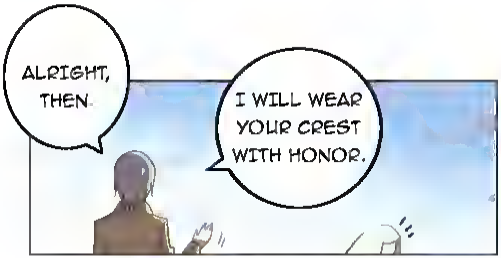
YES... THAT WAS THE CASE, BUT..
I KNOW VERY WELL OF YOUR FEELINGS, MICHAEL.
HOWEVER, THIS CONTRACT WITH MEPHISTO IS MY BURDEN ALONE, AND I MUST RESOLVE IT ON MY OWN...
I DO NOT WISH TO TROUBLE YOU MORE WITH MY MATTERS

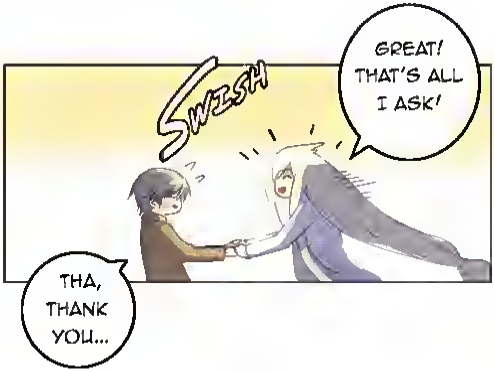


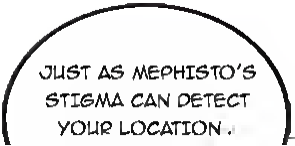

TURN
I SEE...
I SEE YOU HAVE NO USE FOR ME..
FLINCH

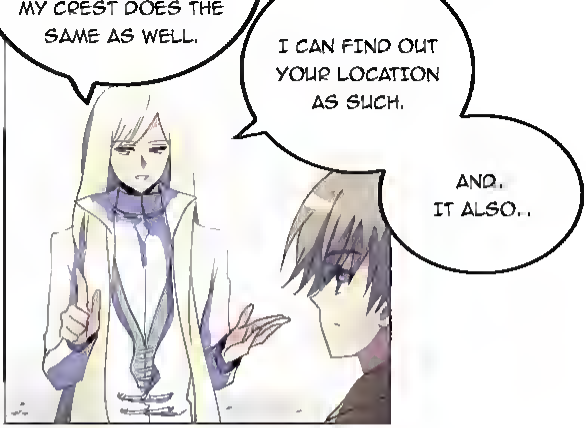
MEPHISTO'S STIGMA IS OKAY, BUT MY CREST IS NOT...
LOOKS LIKE I'M JUST A BOTHER TO YOU... IF YOU HATE ME THAT MUCH... I GUESS I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THAT
MURMUR MURMUR MURMUR MURMUR
NO..NO... THAT'S NOT...




ALRIGHT, THEN.
I WILL WEAR YOUR CREST WITH HONOR.

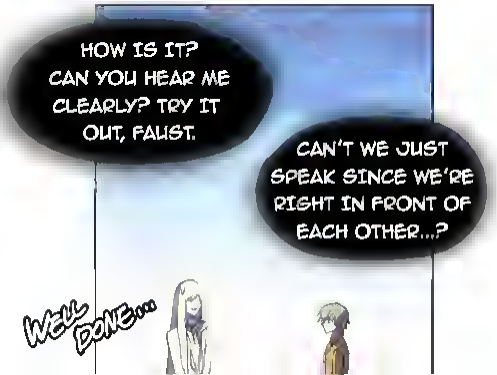

SWISH
GREAT! THAT'S ALL I ASK!
THA, THANK YOU...


JUST AS MEPHISTO'S STIGMA CAN DETECT YOUR LOCATION.

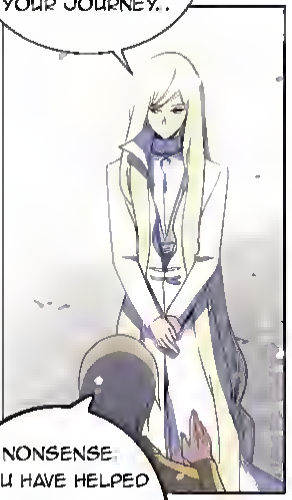

MY CREST DOES THE SAME AS WELL.
I CAN FIND OUT YOUR LOCATION AS SUCH.
AND. IT ALSO..

CAN RELAY MESSAGES LIKE THIS...

!
I CAN HEAR HIS VOICE IN MY HEAD..!


HOW IS IT? CAN YOU HEAR ME CLEARLY? TRY IT OUT, FAUST.
CAN'T WE JUST SPEAK SINCE WE'RE RIGHT IN FRONT OF EACH OTHER...?
WELL DONE...

...OKAY

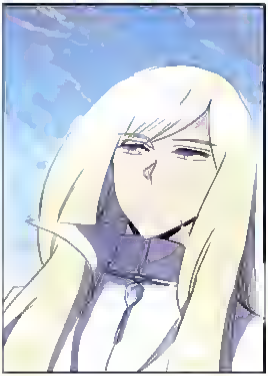


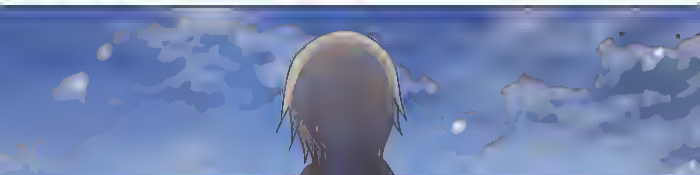
THAT'S ABOUT ALL I CAN DO TO HELP YOU ON YOUR JOURNEY..

NONSENSE. YOU HAVE HELPED US TREMENDOUSLY ALREADY. WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE.

NOW THEN, I WILL BE ON MY WAY.

PLEASE BE CAREFUL.





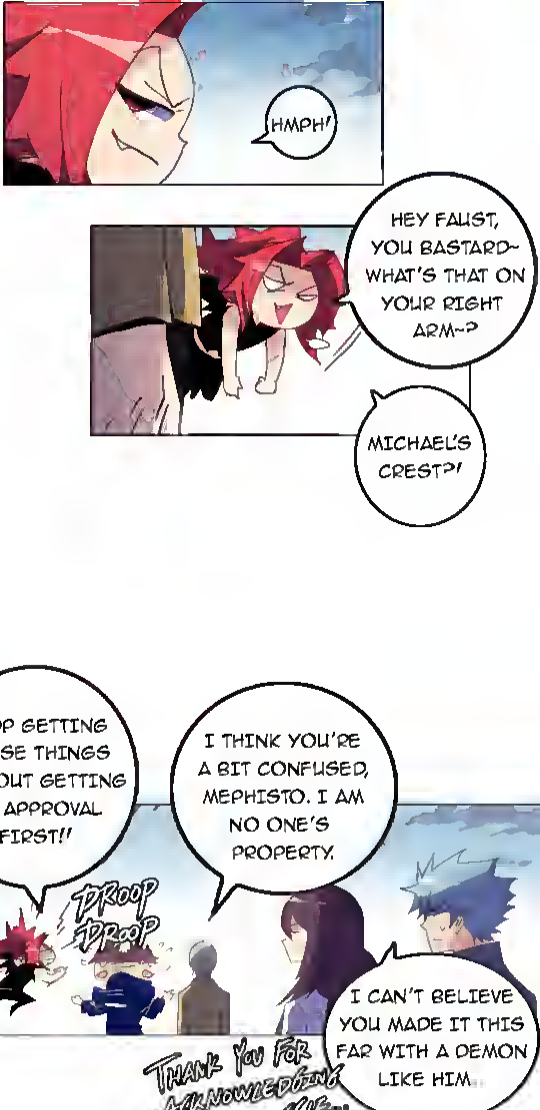
SOUL CARTEL

YEE HAW~!
FINALLY I FEEL ALIVE!!
STRETCH~

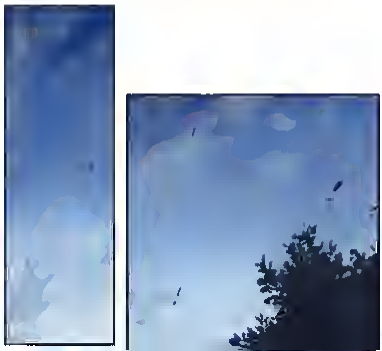
STUPID ANGELS ALWAYS TALKING OR COMPLAINING ABOUT SOMETHING!! SO ANNOYING~!
I HAD BEEN TIED UP FOR SO LONG~

ONE TWO!
SIGH..
ONE TWO!

WELL, THE CALF ISN'T HERE AND CERBERUS ISN'T HERE AND I'M BORED SO..
WANNA GO A ROUND, SHIHOON?
MEPHISTO..
C'MON~ I'LL TAKE IT EASY ON YOU. HOW ABOUT IF I ONLY USE MY PINKY
I'M OKAY!!
MEPHISTO, IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN TEN MINUTES SINCE WE LEFT THE STRONGHOLD

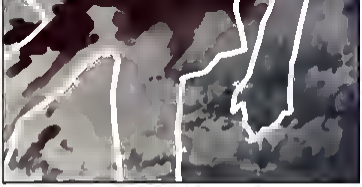

HMPH!
HEY FAUST, YOU BASTARD~ WHAT'S THAT ON YOUR RIGHT ARM~?
MICHAEL'S CREST?!
HOW DARE HE! I ALREADY CLAIMED YOU!
STOP GETTING THOSE THINGS WITHOUT GETTING MY APPROVAL FIRST!!
I THINK YOU'RE A BIT CONFUSED, MEPHISTO. I AM NO ONE'S PROPERTY.
DROOP DROOP
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU MADE IT THIS FAR WITH A DEMON LIKE HIM...
THANK YOU FOR ACKNOWLEDGING MY STRUGGLE...

HEY, KETCHUP!! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU BLABBERING ABOUT!!
STARTLED
IT'S KAROB!! KAROB!!



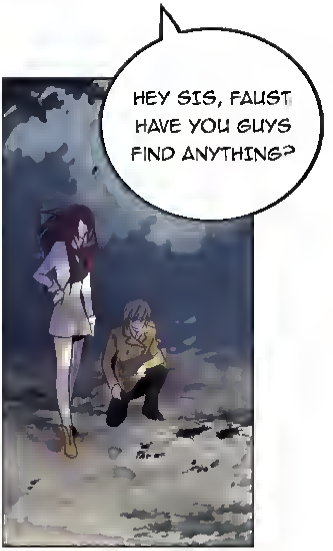
THIS IS THE SCENE OF THE CRIME.

THIS IS WHERE AZRAEL YAGO WAS DISCOVERED.



YAGO WAS
WELL EXPERIENCED
AND WAS PROFICIENT
IN COMBAT

EVEN STILL, HE WAS GIVEN A SINGLE, FATAL BLOW WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO RETALIATE IN THE LEAST BIT.
A SINGLE BLOW..!
THE CULPRIT IS NO ORDINARY BEING
THEY ARE POWERFUL ENOUGH TO DEFEAT AN AZRAEL LIKE IT WAS NOTHING


HEY SIS, FAUST HAVE YOU GUYS FIND ANYTHING?

NO.., BUT...

THESE FOOTPRINTS.. WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY...?

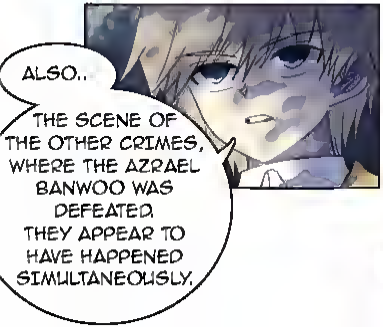
THEY WERE IN THE CRIME REPORT.
THESE PRINTS WERE ALSO FOUND AT OTHER CRIME SCENES AS WELL
A VERY DEEP IMPRINT OF HANDPRINTS AND FOOTPRINTS . THEY ARE SO DEEP THAT IT HAS LEFT

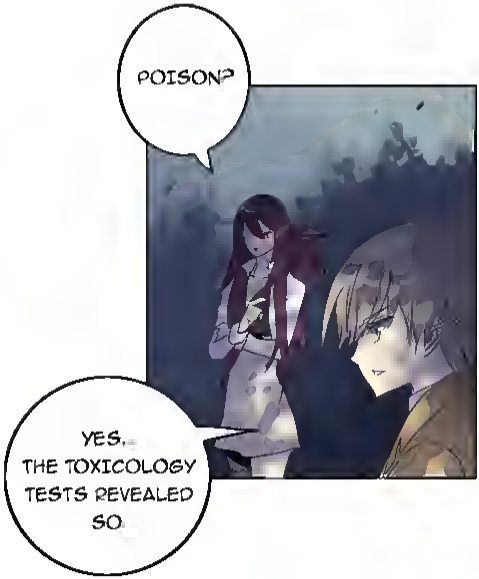
CRACKS ON THE SURROUNDING AREAS.

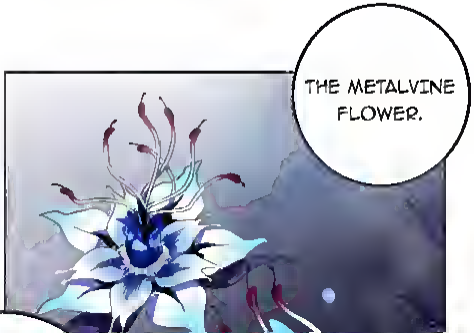
IT MAY HAVE BEEN FORMED WHEN THE SUSPECT WAS TRYING TO UNLEASH A SPECIAL SKILL...

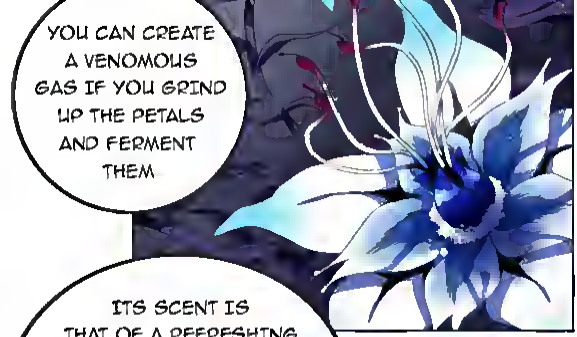
THERE IS NOTHING ELSE BESIDES THESE PRINTS..?!
YES, THIS IS THE ONLY EVIDENCE WE HAVE OF THE SUSPECT'S ABILITIES.
ALTHOUGH IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO ASCERTAIN THE ABILITIES OF THE SUSPECT WITH THIS ALONE, BUT. .

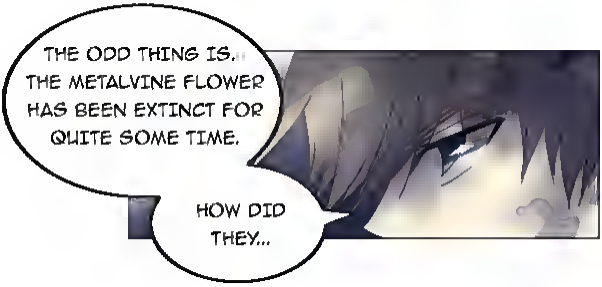
WE CAN AT LEAST COME UP WITH A FEW THEORIES.




POISON?
YES.
THE TOXICOLOGY TESTS REVEALED SO.

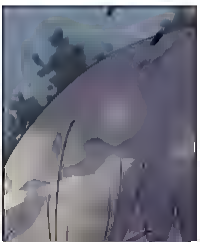

THE METALVINE FLOWER.

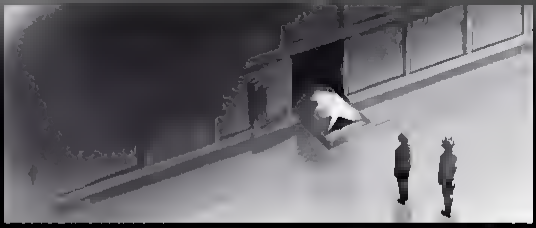

YOU CAN CREATE A VENOMOUS GAS IF YOU GRIND UP THE PETALS AND FERMENT THEM.
ITS SCENT IS THAT OF A REFRESHING LEMON. HOWEVER, IF YOU SMELL IT FOR THREE SECONDS... MOST AZRAEL AND MEINS WILL INSTANTANEOUSLY DIE.

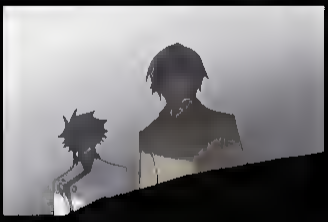

THE ODD THING IS... THE METALVINE FLOWER HAS BEEN EXTINCT FOR QUITE SOME TIME.
HOW DID THEY...

HAH!
THAT WOULD DO NOTHING TO A BODY LIKE MINE~!
SWOOP

WHETHER IT BE ONE GUY OR ANOTHER...
THEY'RE ALL SO WEAK~!!
HAHAHA
GOSH~!!



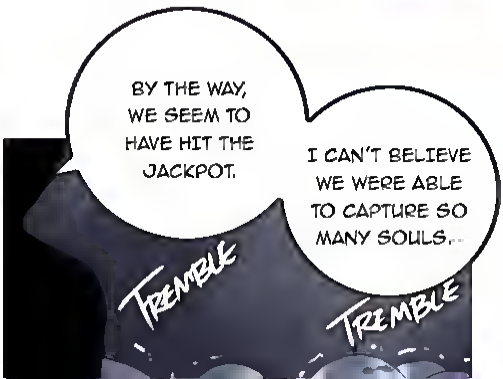




DAMMIT...
WHERE IN THE WORLD IS ETHAN?

SOUL HUNTER JOON
SOUL HUNTER CARL
JUST WAIT A LITTLE LONGER, CARL.

YOU KNOW HE ALWAYS TAKE HIS SWEET TIME
GIGGLE
GIGGLE


BY THE WAY, WE SEEM TO HAVE HIT THE JACKPOT.
I CAN'T BELIEVE WE WERE ABLE TO CAPTURE SO MANY SOULS...
TREMBLE
TREMBLE

YUP, A TOTAL VICTORY
STUPID AZRAELS. I BET THEY DIDN'T THINK WE'D BE BOLD ENOUGH TO VENTURE OUT ALL THE WAY HERE
THAT'S WHY THEY'RE ALWAYS CHASING US BUT NEVER CATCHING US. STUPID IDIOTS...

YO~!

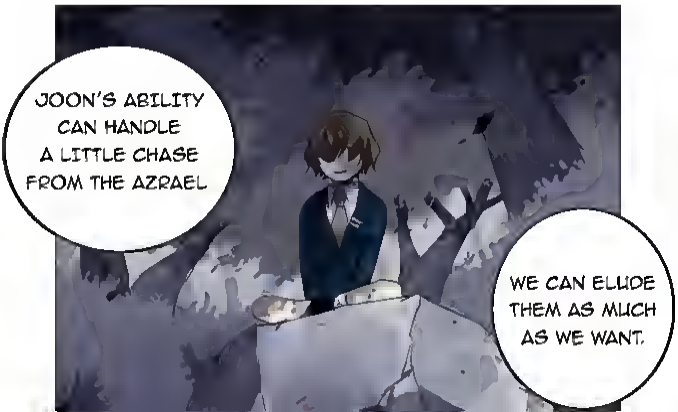
I'M HERE~
I'M HERE~

HEY!! ETHAN!! YOU'RE THE LAST ONE!!
SORRY, SORRY.

WOW~
I CAME THIS WHOLE WAY TRYING TO AVOID THE AZRAELS. IT TOOK FOREVER BECAUSE I WAS SNEAKING AROUND

SOUL HUNTER
ETHAN

BULL, YOU WERE JUST TAKING YOUR SWEET A$$ TIME!
WELL, AT LEAST YOU'RE HERE SAFE NOW.
KeKe


JOON'S ABILITY CAN HANDLE A LITTLE CHASE FROM THE AZRAEL.
WE CAN ELUDE THEM AS MUCH AS WE WANT.

THAT'S BECAUSE THE AZRAELS ARE A BUNCH OF IDIOTS
THEY'RE NEVER GOING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT MY ABILITIES ARE.

THAT'S FINE, BUT HEY, YOU'RE WAY TOO LATE THIS TIME
OH, A COUPLE OF THE SOULS WERE TRYING TO GET AWAY~
I GUESS I WAS BEING TOO NICE TO THEM. THEY PISSED ME OFF SO I KILLED THEM.
GIGGLE YOU SHOULD'VE DONE WHAT I DID
I ATE A COUPLE IN THE BEGINNING TO SET AN EXAMPLE
WE CAN'T ELIMINATE OUR GOODS LIKE THAT~

M, MOM...
IT'S OKAY, IT'S OKAY
WHAT'S GOING ON..!!
WHY IS THIS HAPPENING TO US AS SOON AS WE GOT HERE..!!
I DON'T WANT TO BE EATEN BY THESE MEINS...!!
BIG SIS!!!!!!

HAVE YOU GUYS HEARD?

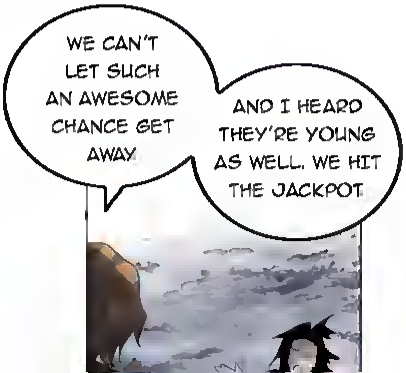
WHAT?
IS IT SOMETHING GOOD?
YUP, SOMETHING VERY JUICY

THERE ARE HUMANS HERE
THREE OF THEM AT THAT...!

I HEARD ABOUT THEM FROM THE SOULS WE CAPTURED. THERE'S AN EXORCIST AMONG THEM
ARE THEY ON A TOUR OF THE UNDERWORLD?
I THINK THEY'RE AT ONE OF THE AZRAEL BASES AT THE MOMENT.

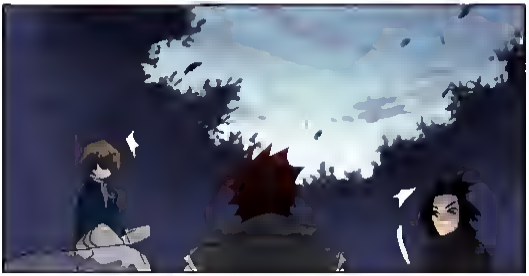
OH, THAT? YEA, I HEARD ABOUT THEM FROM MY SOULS AS WELL.
WAVE
WAVE
I HEARD THAT MEPHISTOPHELES IS IN THEIR GROUP AS WELL~
LET'S FORGET ABOUT IT.
IT'S A DEMON. A FREAKING DEMON THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN WIN
I MEAN, IT'S SUICIDE.
BUT WE DO WANT THOSE HUMANS. THREE LIVE HUMANS!

IT'S VERY RARE THESE DAYS FOR A HUMAN TO COME TO THE UNDERWORLD.. WE HAVE TO GO FOR THIS. OPPORTUNITIES LIKE THIS DON'T COME OFTEN
IF WE CAN OBTAIN SOME HUMAN FLESH... WE CAN TURN INTO HUMANS, AND GO TO THE HUMAN WORLD.
WE WON'T HAVE TO HUNT SOULS ANYMORE.


WE CAN'T LET SUCH AN AWESOME CHANCE GET AWAY.
AND I HEARD THEY'RE YOUNG AS WELL. WE HIT THE JACKPOT.

SO? YOU WANT TO FIGHT A DEMON?
I'D RATHER FIGHT WITH A THOUSAND AZRAELS TO BE HONEST~
WE HAVE A PLAN.
GRIN

WE JUST HAVE T
BRING SOMEONE
WHO CAN GO
TOE TO TOE WITH
MEPHISTO



YOU'RE NOT THINKING OF.. NIGEL... ARE YOU?
!!
NOD

NIGEL...

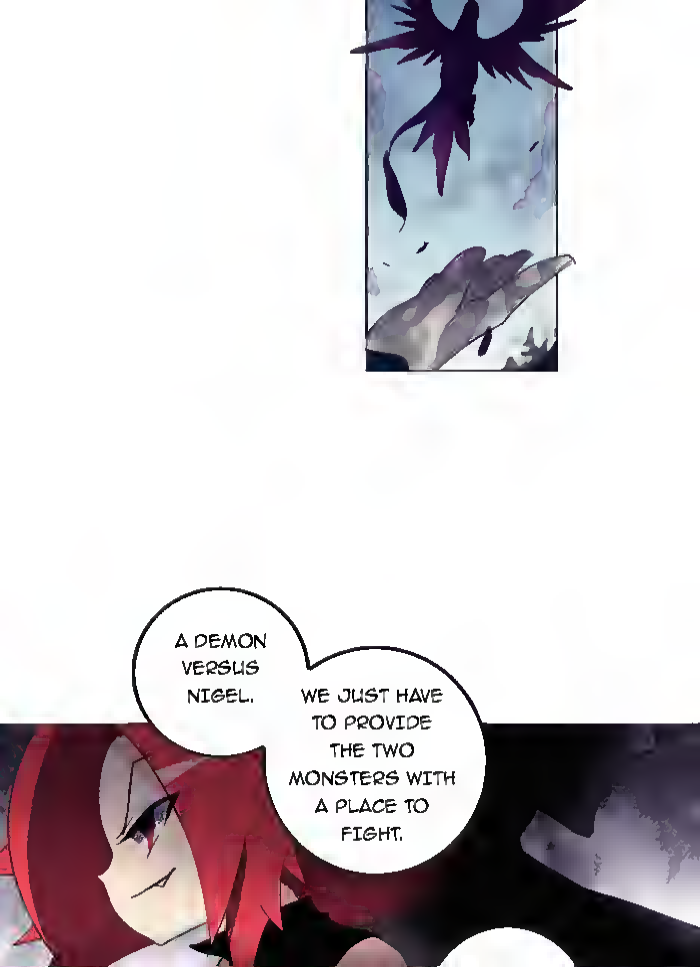
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHETHER YOU'RE A SOUL OR A SOUL HUNTER..
HE HUNTS ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING, THE MEIN HUNTER...
THE ONE WHO DREW IN A FIGHT WITH THE DEMON MEPHISTO IN THE PAST..
THAT MONSTER...
ARE YOU CRAZY?!
HE'LL PROBABLY TRY TO KILL US FIRST!!!

SPRING UP
CALM DOWN, ETHAN
HE WON'T WASTE HIS TIME ATTACKING US
YEA. JOON AND I HAVE A LITTLE HISTORY WITH HIM
HIS FIGHT WITH MEPHISTOPHELES
I THINK IT'S BEEN ABOUT A HUNDRED YEARS
YE, YEA. EVERYONE'S HEARD THE STORY...

THEY SAY. HE'S MUCH STRONGER THAN HE WAS BACK THEN.
I'VE HEARD A RUMOR THAT HE WANTS TO HAVE ANOTHER GO WITH MEPHISTOPHELES.
IF MEPHISTO WERE TO HEAR THIS NEWS, I'M SURE HE'D BE JUMPING THE GUN TO GET IT ON

FIGHT...
A DEMON...

THEN...
IT'S A GOOD PLAN, CARL
I'LL SEND A COMMUNICATION BIRD, LET'S TRY TO CALL HIM OUT
WHISTLE~
CAW


A DEMON VERSUS NIGEL.
WE JUST HAVE TO PROVIDE THE TWO MONSTERS WITH A PLACE TO FIGHT.

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO WINS.

BECAUSE DURING THE FIGHT.. ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS CATCH THE HUMANS.

CAW
CAW
WE'LL HAVE OUR LOOT WHILE THEY CREATE THE DISTRACTION

WE'LL BE GETTING SOME FRESH HUMAN FLESH

ON THE STAGE THAT WE CREATED...

LINE Webtoon

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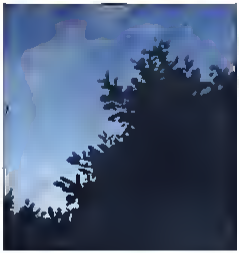
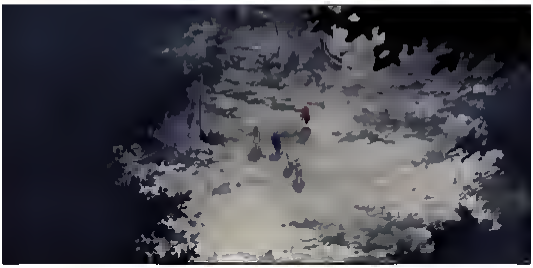
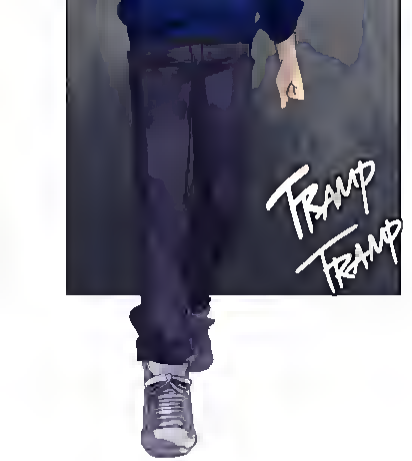
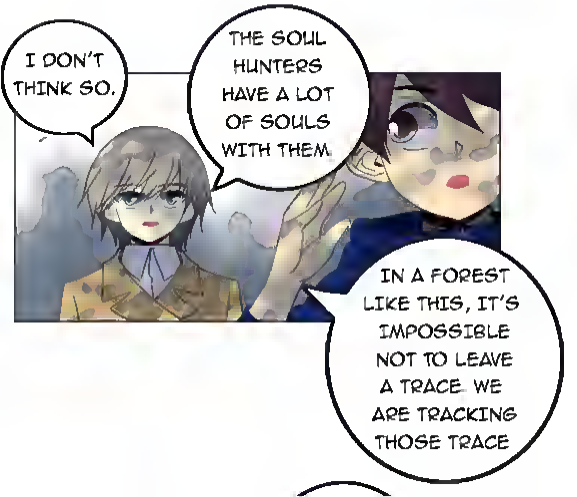




HEY GUYS... AREN'T WE BEING A LITTLE RECKLESS?


TRAMP
TRAMP


I DON'T THINK SO.
THE SOUL HUNTERS HAVE A LOT OF SOULS WITH THEM.
IN A FOREST LIKE THIS, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO LEAVE A TRACE. WE ARE TRACKING THOSE TRACE

AZRAELS HAVE TRIED TO TRACK THEM MANY TIMES
BUT THOSE TRAILS ALWAYS FELL OFF AT SOME POINT
IT'S LIKE GOING AROUND IN CIRCLES. AROUND AND AROUND.
WE ALWAYS ENDED UP LOSING THE TRAIL.

THIS TIME IS DIFFERENT
THE HUNTERS SHOULD KNOW THAT WE ARE THE ONES . . WHO BROUGHT THOSE SOULS

THEY'RE PROBABLY EXPECTING THAT WE'RE TRACKING THEIR MOVEMENTS

IF THEY THINK OF US AS THEIR PREY... THEY PROBABLY WOULDN'T GO FAR AWAY ON PURPOSE.

PAH! IT'D BE BETTER FOR US IF THEY ATTACK US FIRST!

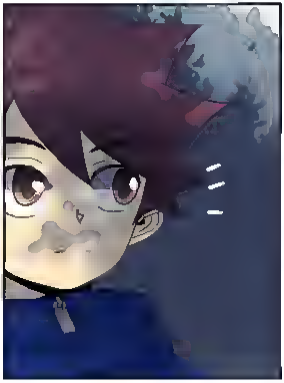
WE'LL JUST WIPE THEM ALL OUT IN ONE BLOW!!
KAHHHHA

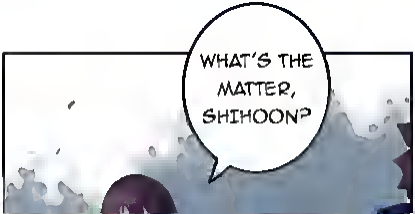
MEPHISTO.
THESE HUNTERS KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING DO YOU THINK THEY WOULD ATTACK US DIRECTLY?
FLINCH

THEY MIGHT EVEN BE HERE NOW... WATCHING US. WAITING

WAITING FOR THAT MOMENT..
THAT WE'LL LET OUR GUARD DOWN FOR ONCE...
WHAT?!
YOU THINK I WOULDN'T KNOW THAT!!
UNDERSTAND, MEPHISTO?
SIGH
TAK TAK

EVERYTHING IS A JOKE TO HIM, HUH...?
WHACK!
WHACK!




WHAT'S THE MATTER, SHIHOON?

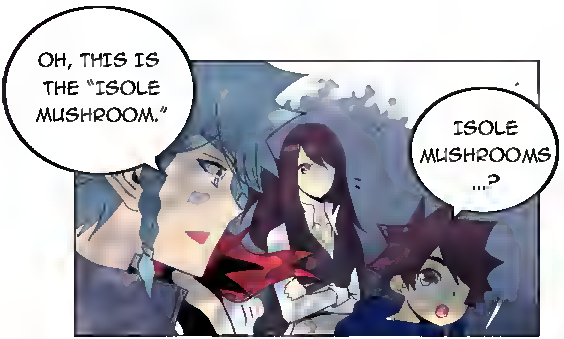
TAP
TAP

HERE~
COME LOOK
AT THIS

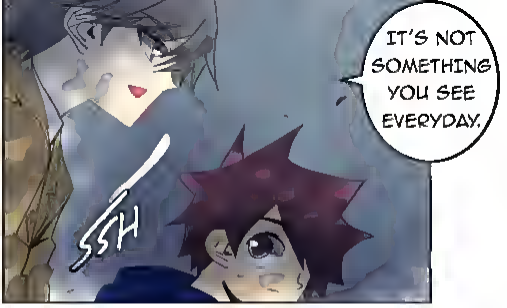
THERE'S A
BUNCH OF
THESE
THINGS

MUSHROOMS...?!

ARE THESE MUSHROOMS OF THE UNDERWORLD?
IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD OF THEM!
OH~ THIS I'VE SEEN THIS A COUPLE OF TIMES

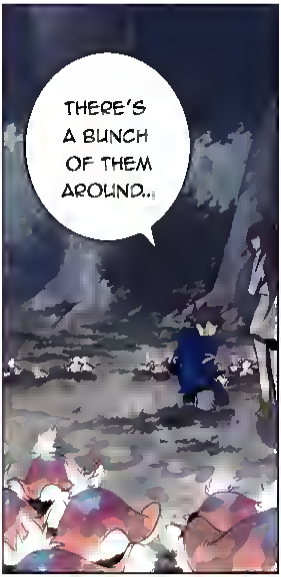

OH, THIS IS THE "ISOLE MUSHROOM."
ISOLE MUSHROOMS ...?

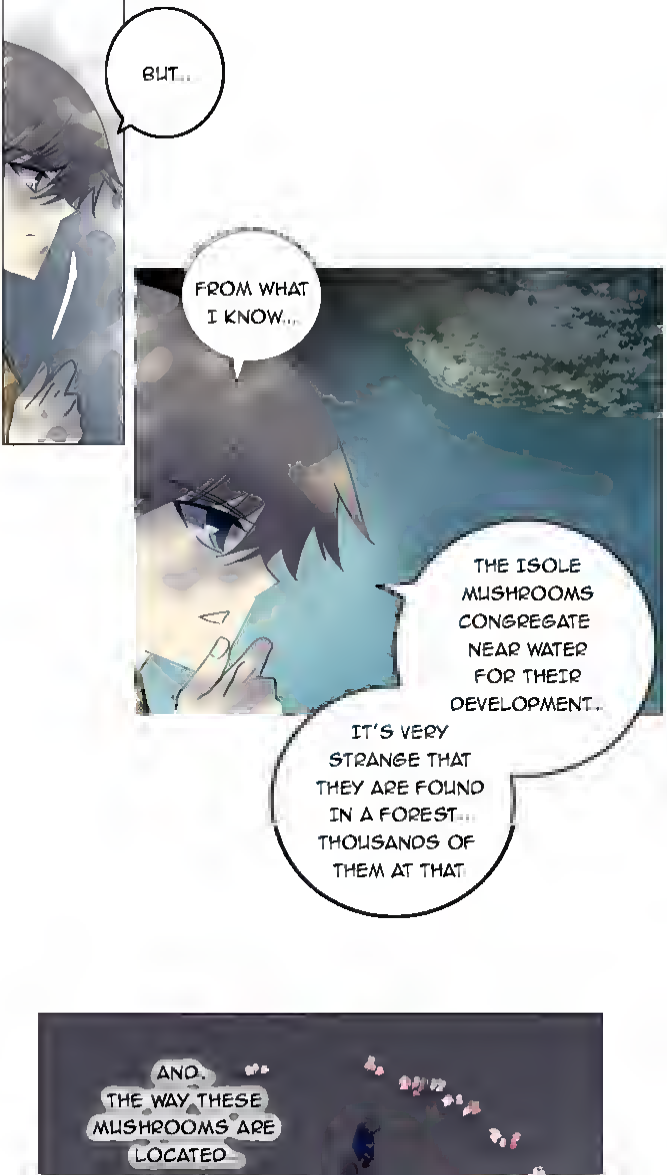
AN ISOLE MUSHROOM IS A VERY RARE SPECIMEN

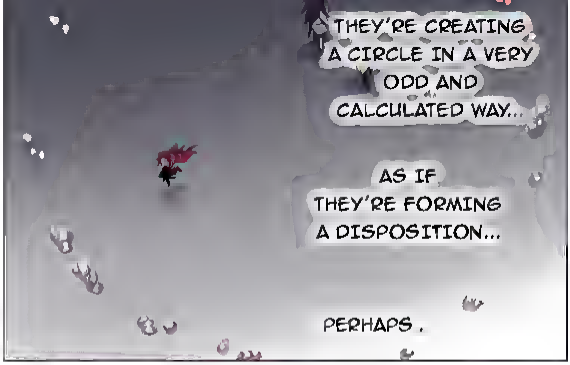

IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU SEE EVERYDAY.
SSH

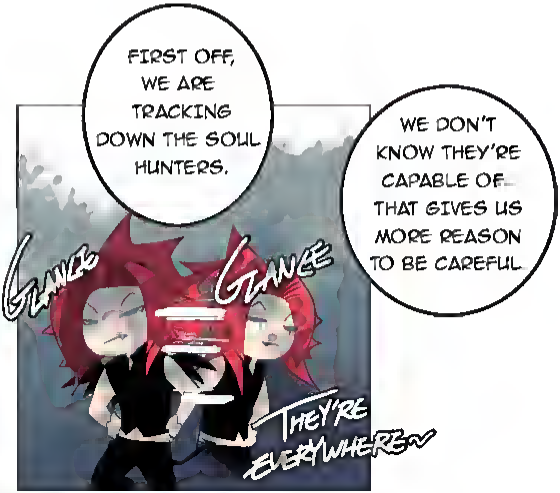
I'VE ONLY READ ABOUT THEM IN BOOKS. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'M SEEING THEM IN PERSON.

THESE MUSHROOMS.. HAVE FEET AND CAN WALK AROUND ON THEIR OWN
WA...WALK?! THESE MUSHROOMS CAN WALK~?!!
YEAH, ONCE THEY SENSE DANGER.. THEY SPROUT FEET FROM THEIR BODIES AND RUN AWAY
IT'S A MUSHROOM WITH MANY SPECIAL QUALITIES. SO, IT'S USED IN MEDICINE
IT'S A VERY SPECIAL MUSHROOM
AZRAELS ALSO TREAT THESE MUSHROOMS AS PRECIOUS MEDICINE
WOW!! WE FOUND SOMETHING GREAT! LET'S TAKE SOME!!

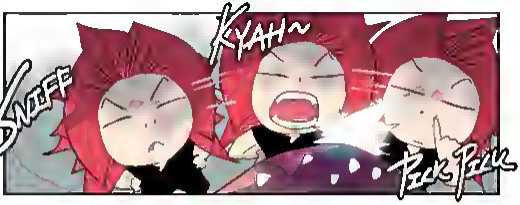

THERE'S A BUNCH OF THEM AROUND..


BUT...
FROM WHAT I KNOW...
THE ISOLE MUSHROOMS CONGREGATE NEAR WATER FOR THEIR DEVELOPMENT.
IT'S VERY STRANGE THAT THEY ARE FOUND IN A FOREST... THOUSANDS OF THEM AT THAT.
AND, THE WAY THESE MUSHROOMS ARE LOCATED


THEY'RE CREATING A CIRCLE IN A VERY ODD AND CALCULATED WAY...
AS IF THEY'RE FORMING A DISPOSITION...
PERHAPS .


FIRST OFF, WE ARE TRACKING DOWN THE SOUL HUNTERS.
WE DON'T KNOW THEY'RE CAPABLE OF— THAT GIVES US MORE REASON TO BE CAREFUL
GLANCE
GLANCE
THEY'RE EVERYWHERE

..
STARE~


SNIFF
KYAH~
PICK PICK

Hmm

fret
fret
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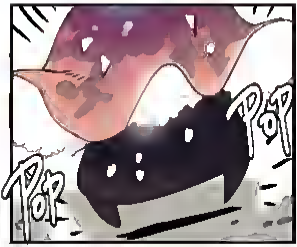
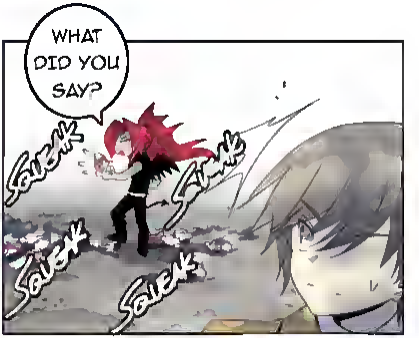

Pop
Pop

RATATATA
HUH!

SWOOP
YOU LITTLE...!!
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING!!
GRASP
SQUEAK

SOMETHING'S WEIRD ABOUT THE MUSHROOMS..
LET'S NOT TOUCH THEM AND PASS THROUGH.
YEAH. I GUESS WE HAVE NO CHOICE.


WHAT DID YOU SAY?
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SQUEAK

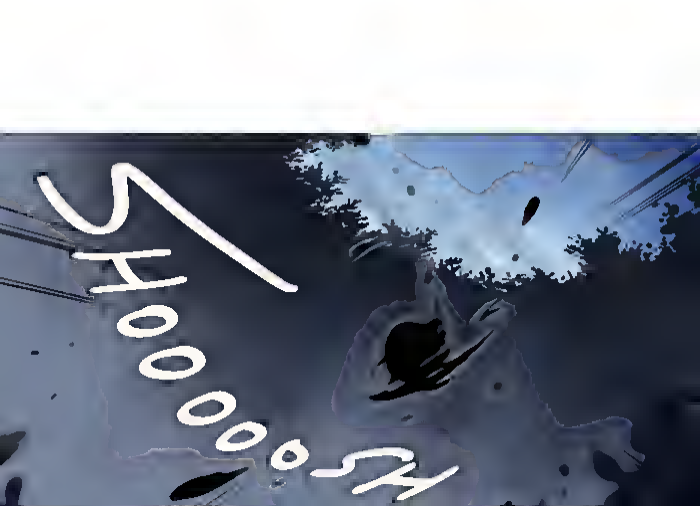
MEPHISTO! DON'T TOUCH THE MUSHROOMS...

!!
RUMBLEEEE

WOOSH

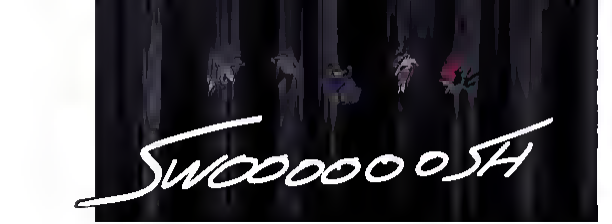
Swoooo...
Hmmmm

AHHHHHHHHHHH!!


SHOOOOSH

PHAT

ARGGGGGHHHHH!!!

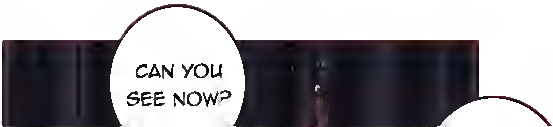

SWOOOOOOSH

AHHHH~!!
I KEEP FALLING!!
SWOOOSH

IT'S TOO DARK! I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING!!
IS EVERYONE OKAY?!
KYAH~

PHT!
SSH

FAZOOM


CAN YOU SEE NOW?

FLARE
MY FIRE NEVER GOES OUT.

HEY FAUST,
WHAT WERE YOU ABOUT TO SAY EARLIER?
SWOOOSH
I WAS SAYING WE'D BETTER NOT TOUCH THE MUSHROOMS BECAUSE THEY MIGHT BE A TRAP...
NEVER MIND...

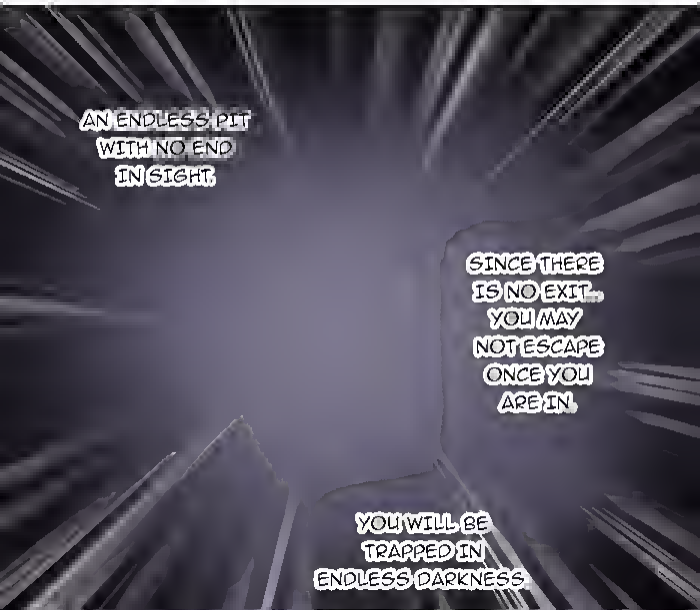
KYAH!!
I CAN'T SEE THE BOTTOM!!

IT'S NOT THAT WE CAN'T SEE THE BOTTOM . IT'S THAT THE BOTTOM DOESN'T SEEM TO EXIST
GRAP-

THIS IS THE "DISPOSITION OF ABYSS "

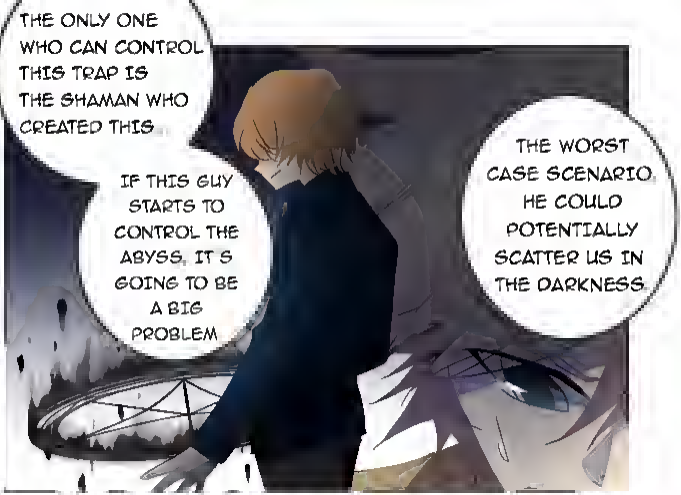
ABYSS?!
WHAT THE HELL IS THAT?!!

AN ENDLESS PIT...
THERE ARE DOZENS OF THESE IN THE UNDERWORLD. THEY ARE KINDS OF MYSTERY.

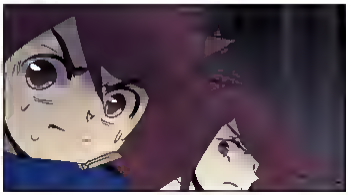

AN ENDLESS PIT WITH NO END IN SIGHT.
SINCE THERE IS NO EXIT... YOU MAY NOT ESCAPE ONCE YOU ARE IN.
YOU WILL BE TRAPPED IN ENDLESS DARKNESS

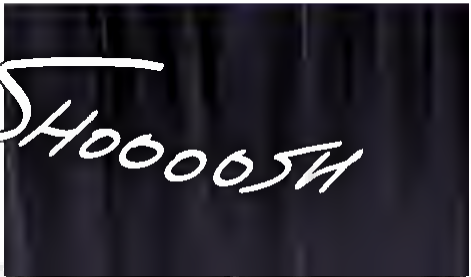
THIS TRAP IS...
A DISPOSITION THAT WAS CREATED BY A SHAMAN TO IMITATE THE ABYSS OF THE UNDERWORLD.
WOOOOOSH
THIS IS A TERRITORY CREATED BY A SHAMAN

I THINK... THERE'S AT LEAST ONE OF THE GUYS THAT WE ARE AFTER...
WHO IS A TRAP-MAKER SHAMAN WITH A GREAT POWER.
THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO CREATE AN ABYSS AS A TRAP.
THEIR TRAP-MAKING SKILL MAY EVEN BE BETTER THAN THOSE ONES OF THE UNDERWORLD.

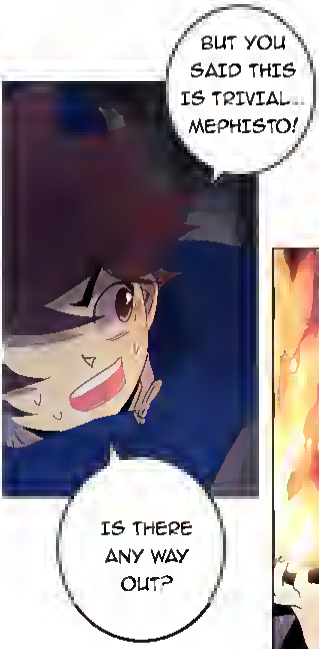

THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN CONTROL THIS TRAP IS THE SHAMAN WHO CREATED THIS
IF THIS GUY STARTS TO CONTROL THE ABYSS, IT S GOING TO BE A BIG PROBLEM
THE WORST CASE SCENARIO HE COULD POTENTIALLY SCATTER US IN THE DARKNESS

THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT SHIHOON, SOOIN, AND I WILL LOSE OUR BODIES




SHOOOOSH

HAH!
THIS IS SO TRIVIAL.
BLAZE
FIRST OF ALL, THIS IS FUN!
YAHOO!!!
TWIRL
TWIRL
THIS IS ALL BECAUSE OF YOU!! YOU DEMON BRAT!


BUT YOU SAID THIS IS TRIVIAL... MEPHISTO!
IS THERE ANY WAY OUT?

OH, I'VE BEEN IN THIS KINDA SITUATION A COUPLE TIMES.
FAZOOO
HOO

THERE WAS NO WAY TO ESCAPE. SO I LIT A LITTLE FIRE TO PLACE AROUND WITH THEN A CRACK WAS MADE~

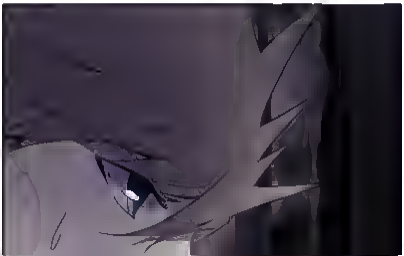
AND THEN BOOM~ I EXITED!
KUKUKUKU~
WE'RE ALL GONNA BURN DOWN IF YOU DO THAT

FAUST.

IS THERE REALLY NOTHING WE CAN DO ..?

A WAY TO...

ESCAPE FROM HERE...!



ACTUALLY..
THERE MIGHT BE A WAY...

MAYBE...
THERE'S ONLY
ONE PERSON
WHO IS...
CAPABLE
OF SAVING
ALL OF US...

ONLY ONE PERSON...?!

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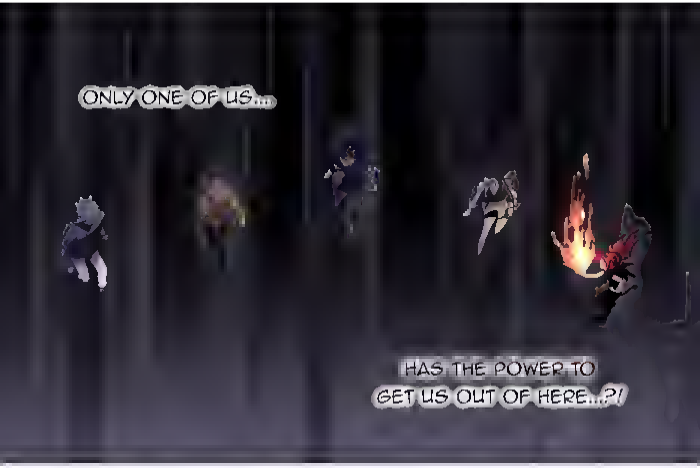
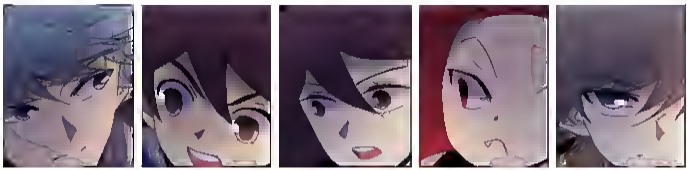
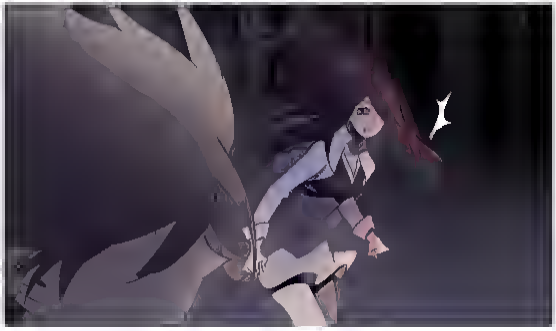
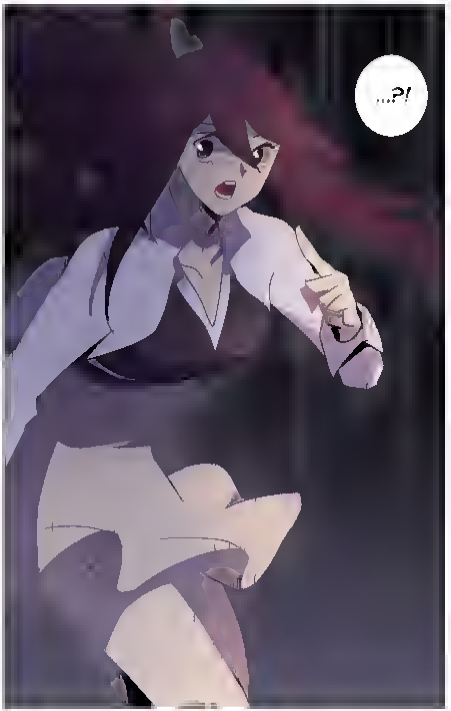

ONLY ONE OF US...
HAS THE POWER TO
GET US OUT OF HERE...?!



FAUST, WHAT DO YOU MEAN ONE PERSON..
WHO IS IT?





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SHOOOAH
THIS ABYSS WE ARE FALLING IN HAS NO EXIT
WITH THAT SAID.. IF THERE IS NO EXIT, WE MUST CREATE ONE
CREATE.. AN EXIT?
YES, THAT IS WHY WE WILL NEED THE ASSISTANCE OF SOOIN.

ME .?
..YOU'RE NOT THINKING OF .
YES, I AM.
'POSITION IN SPACE'

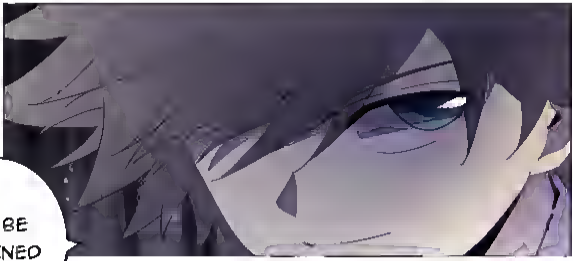
IF WE'RE TO RETURN TO THE UNDERWORLD.. WHAT SOOIN HAD MADE EARLIER..
WE WILL USE HER TELEPORT DISPOSITION TO GET OUT OF HERE

'POSITION IN SPACE'... WE CAN MOVE AROUND EVEN IF THERE IS NO EXIT.
WE CAN ALL GET OUT OF HERE.
YES.. THAT MIGHT WORK..
BUT...

THERE'S A PROBLEM.
TO CREATE A DISPOSITION I MUST HAVE CERTAIN ITEMS.

THE FIRST IS A NECESSITY OF ANYONE TRYING TO CREATE A DISPOSITION, A CIRCLE
THE SECOND ARE MY FIVE RODS THAT I ACCUMULATED MY AMULET'S POWER FOR A FEW DAYS.
I NEED THESE TWO THINGS NO MATTER WHAT

THE FIRST ITEM...
S.SH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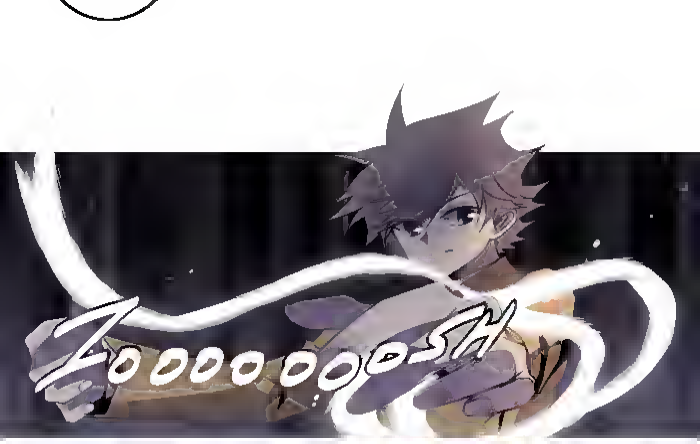
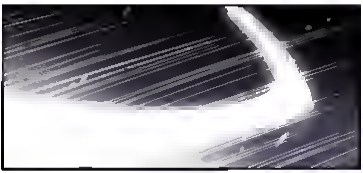
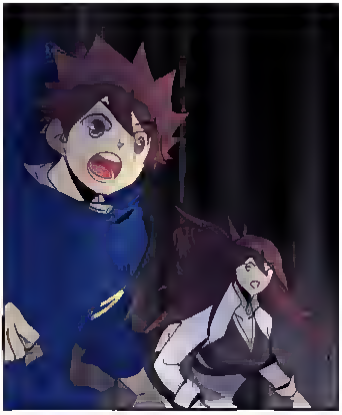
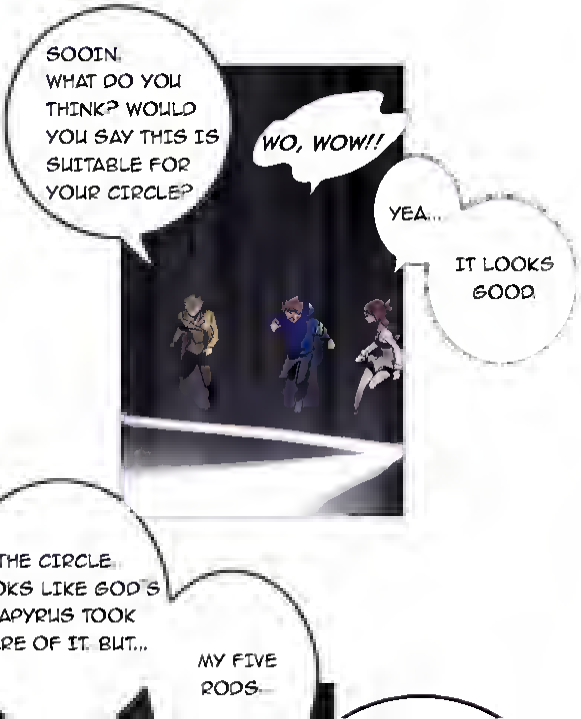


GOD'S PAPYRUS



SWOOOOAH




SOOIN.
WHAT DO YOU THINK? WOULD YOU SAY THIS IS SUITABLE FOR YOUR CIRCLE?
WO, WOW!!
YEA...
IT LOOKS GOOD.
THE CIRCLE LOOKS LIKE GOD'S PAPYRUS TOOK CARE OF IT. BUT...
MY FIVE RODS.

THOSE RODS HAVE THE NECESSARY ENERGY SAVED IN THEM AND IT WON'T BE POSSIBLE TO BE REPLACED WITH ORDINARY RODS.
THAT WON'T BE A PROBLEM.

BECAUSE THEY ARE ALREADY HERE.

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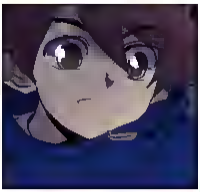
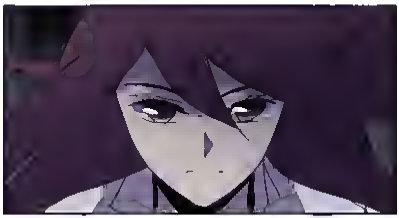
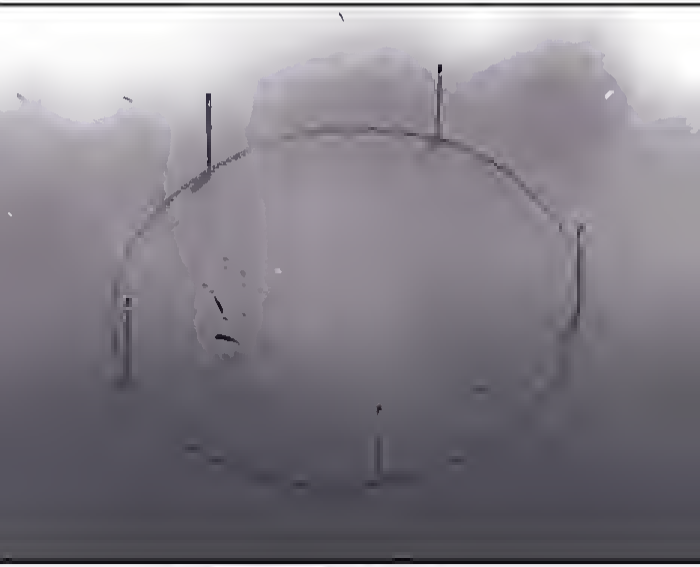
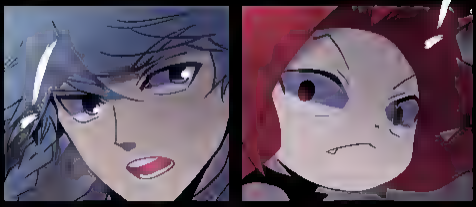






WE ALREADY HAVE FIVE POLES HERE?!
YES, THAT IS CORRECT.

HERE...
THE FIVE OF US HERE... WE WILL BE YOUR POWER RODS.



WE, THE FIVE PEOPLE HERE CAN BE THE RODS.
SINCE WE'RE ALL FULL OF ENERGY, WE CAN USE OUR POWERS TO SUBSTITUTE THE ENERGY STORED IN YOUR RODS.

I'M POSITIVE
THIS WILL WORK.

FAUST...
EVEN IN SUCH AN URGENT SITUATION AS THIS...
TO STRATEGIZE SO QUICKLY AND FIGURE OUT A SOLUTION...
HE'S TRULY AMAZING...

BUT...

THERE'S ONE LAST PROBLEM...
ALTHOUGH I CAN MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO GET US OUT...
THERE IS ONE LAST PROBLEM.
?!

THE CONCEPT OF SPACE TRAVEL... IS TO TWIST NORMAL SPACE AND MOVE IT TO ANOTHER LOCATION.

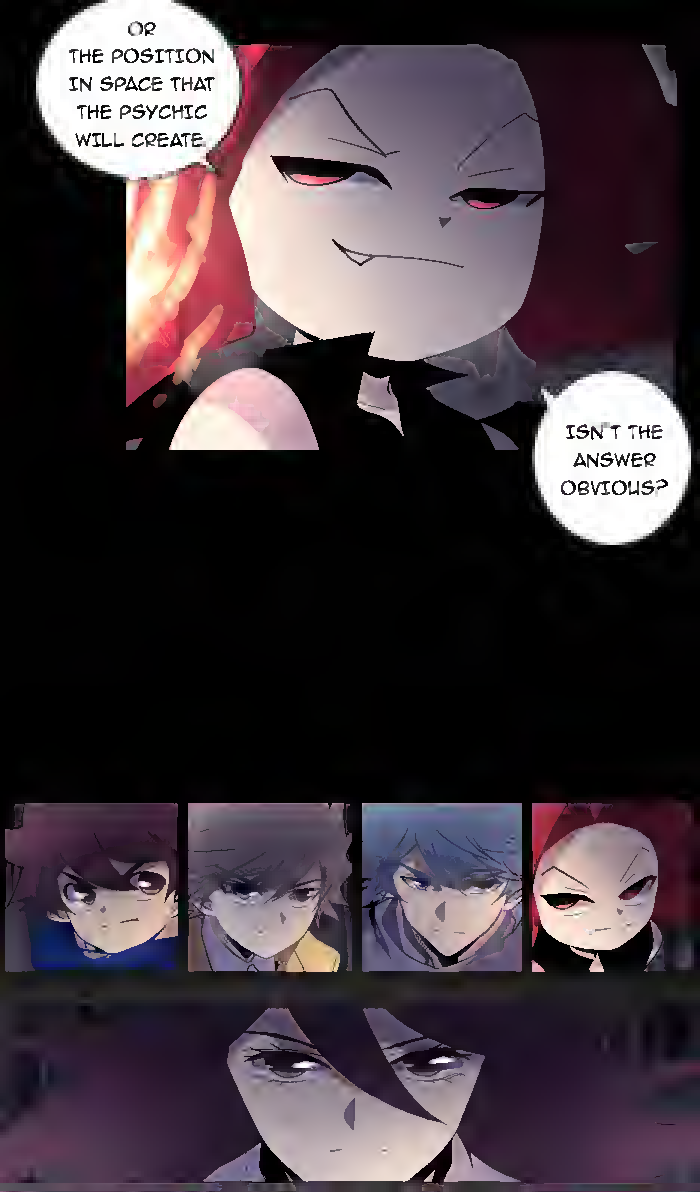
WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT YOU ARE CHANGING THE NORMAL FLOW OF SPACE. IT'S A VERY DIFFICULT SKILL.

IF THIS FAILS, THE DANGER THAT WILL FOLLOW WOULD BE IMMENSE
ALSO, THE FLOW OF SPACE IN THE UNDERWORLD IS A LOT MORE UNSTABLE THAN THE HUMAN WORLD
IF WE WERE TO USE POSITION IN SPACE AND HAD GOTTEN CAUGHT IN AN UNSTABLE CURRENT...
WE WILL... BE EXTINCT FROM THAT VERY MOMENT...

BECAUSE OF THOSE DANGERS, THERE IS AN UNWRITTEN LAW NOT TO USE SPACE TRAVEL.
EVEN THE ARCHANGELS DO NOT USE THIS SKILL...
IT IS ONLY USED TO TRAVEL BETWEEN THE AZRAEL BASES... AND ONLY IN CERTAIN AREAS DESIGNATED FOR IT.

YES, I AM AWARE OF THAT AS WELL
EVEN IN THE HUMAN WORLD... I ONLY USE IT WHEN IT'S THE FULL MOON. BECAUSE IT'S THE SAFEST TIME
AND ONLY UP TO THE ENTRANCE OF THE UNDERWORLD. BECAUSE IT'S THAT DANGEROUS
BUT...
RIGHT NOW, THERE IS NO OTHER CHOICE

FAUST WAS AWARE OF ALL THIS, BUT STILL CAME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT WE HAD NO OTHER CHOICE
...
HAH, SO YOU MEAN THERE ARE ONLY TWO OPTIONS
YOU CAN EITHER TRAVEL THROUGH THE FIRE PRISON I'LL CREATE...

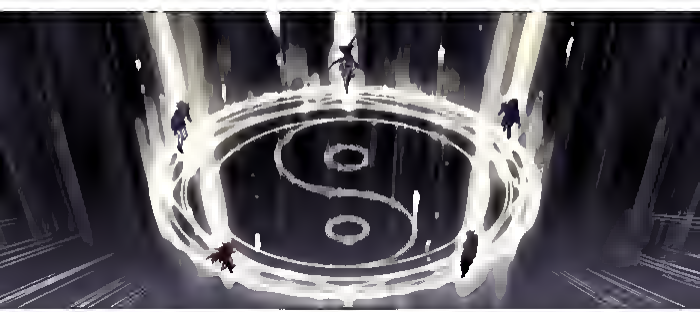

OR THE POSITION IN SPACE THAT THE PSYCHIC WILL CREATE.
ISN'T THE ANSWER OBVIOUS?

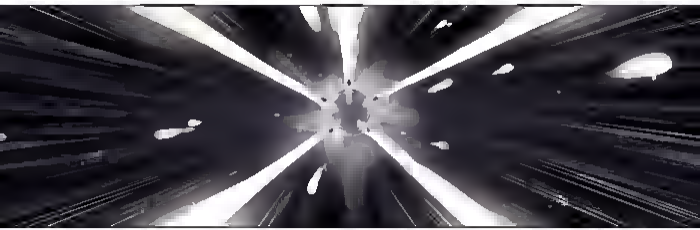
ZOOOOOOOM

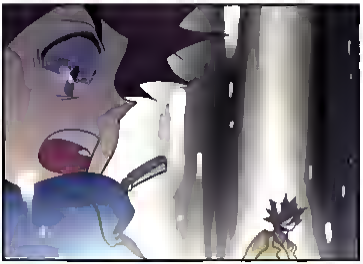
ZOOOOM

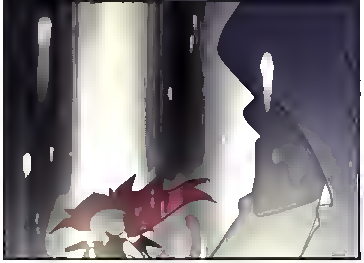
I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE.

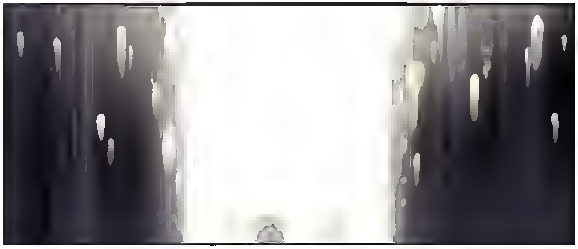
POSITION IN SPACE.

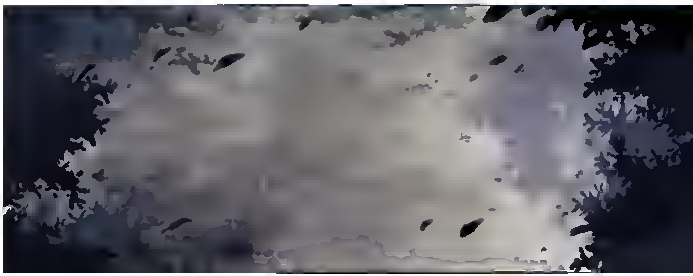












Pssssh

SHOOOOOOM

PHEW~
I'M ALIVE.

IS EVERYONE OKAY?
YES, I THINK SO..

THAT WAS STUPID
WHAT A WASTE OF TIME.
THAT WAS YOUR FAULT, MEPHISTO

MS. SOOIN.
SSH
THIS TIME... THANKFULLY WE WERE ABLE TO ESCAPE SAFE... BUT POSITION IN SPACE IS VERY DANGEROUS
CONTROLLING SPACE IS ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT TO DO IN THE UNDERWORLD
YOU MUST NEVER USE IT AGAIN
YES, I WILL HEED YOUR WORDS.
ANYWAYS...
WE WERE ABLE TO ESCAPE THANKS TO SOOIN AND FAUST

...IT'S TOO EARLY TO LET YOUR GUARD DOWN.

IT'S NOW CLEAR THAT THE HUNTERS... ARE ON OUR TAILS.

I'M SURE THEY WILL APPEAR IF WE SIT TIGHT

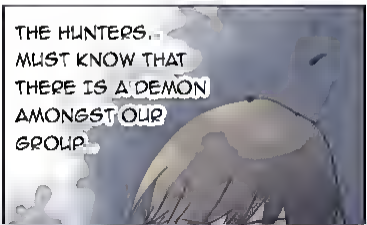
THE HUNT HAS ALREADY BEGUN

FLAP
FLAP

YEA!! YEA!!
BRING IT ON ANYTIME!!

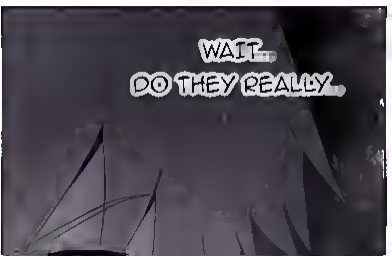
HOW DARE YOU SET A TRAP LIKE THIS!!
KAHAHAHA

SWIRL
SWIRL
SWIRL
FRET
FRET
I'M GOING TO DESTROY YOU AL IN ONE HIT!!

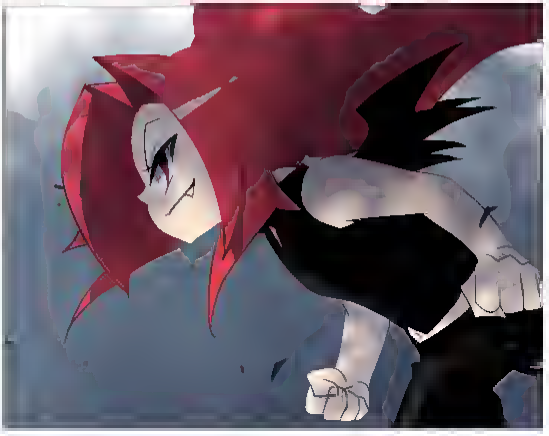

THE HUNTERS... MUST KNOW THAT THERE IS A DEMON AMONGST OUR GROUP.

IN TRUTH...
I THOUGHT THEY MIGHT ABANDON THE IDEA OF ATTACKING US BECAUSE OF THAT...
AND THOUGHT OUT THE DIFFERENT SITUATIONS FOR EVERY ATTACK...

HOWEVER...
AFTER SEEING THAT ABYSS THEY CREATED AS A TRAP...
NOW, IT'S CLEAR THEY'RE AFTER US.
THEN THAT MEANS...


WAIT...
DO THEY REALLY...

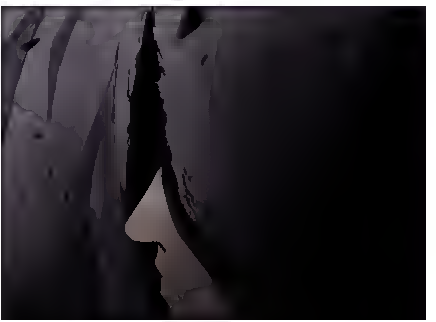
THINK THEY CAN
GO TOE TO TOE WITH
MEPHISTO...?!



WOOOOOOSH

SWOOOOOOSH

CAW



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